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BUDGET, JAN 3,1990 (WEDNESDAY)

MILVERTON, ONT., CAN

Dec. 21--We are having unusually cold weather the last while, and now the weather forecasters predict bitter cold weather for the next few days. There is a nice covering of snow on the ground.

On Sunday church services in southwest dist. were held at Aaron Kuepfers' by John Jantzi and Bish. Levi Streicher. They also had a singing in the evening for the young folks.

Dannie and Ruth Kuepfer have moved to a house they have rented north of Newton. Leonard and Emmaline Streicher also moved into the new house they built at his parents' place, and Rebecca Streicher is hoping to move into the house that was built at her brother Ezra's for her.

Mrs. Allan Kuepfer was supposed to go to the hospital again to have an operation on her sore leg.

Joe, son of Clarence and Sarah Kuepfer and Merlin, son of Raymond and Madeline Wagler, both cystic fibrosis patients, went to the hospital 2 weeks ago and are both expected to come home today.

David K. Kuepfer

CHESLEY, ONT., CANADA

Dec. 27--We are still having solid winter weather. They say now this is the coldest Dec. for 70 yrs.

Those who had been here for the wedding skipped out just in time. The next morning we had a minature snowstorm that blew out in one day, followed by 12 below the next morning at high points, to 22 below at low area. Yesterday's Jack Rabbit hunt was somewhat hampered by 2 below and a sharp north wind that kept most people indoors. Only one Jack was taken.

West church was at John C. Stutzmans' with a good attendance, a few coming from East dist. Church is to be at Jacob D. Zooks' next.

New arrivals are a son Joas to Elmer S. Swartzentrubers on Dec. 13th and a dau. Lovina to David Hostetlers' on Dec. 20th.

Josie R. Yoders of Freeport are in this area at present to visit their son Sams and other relativess.

Ezra Yoders had the misfortune of losing both of their driving horses recently. The vets pretend to be unable to find the cause. Swamp fever was suspected.

Jacob L. Yoders (our Lovina) have now moved in the shop where Jonathan Stutzmans vacated. Jacob will continue his job of teaching school for the time being.

Harvey D. Stutzmans have moved into the upstairs at Dan J. Zooks' until something else comes up.

Weaner pigs came back in strong prices in our last sales, going as high as $1.35 per lb. for top quality pigs.

Noah Shetler has a problem with his arms going numb to the extend that he saw the doc. and tests were taken, but have not heard any result yet.

Noah Stutzman

BAY TREE, ALBERTA, CAN

Dec. 11--It finally looks and feels like real northern winter the past few days. Tonight the thermometer is registering 20 below zero and I hear it's supposed to get as low as -38° by morning.

Arla Stutzman is still having some back trouble. It is worse in the morning when she gets up.

Laverne Hauser from Wroxeter, Ontario spent a weekend here and preached Sat., Sunday and Monday for us.

Recent visitors to church were Ron Costley, Carolyn Mueller, and Terry Goertz, all students from the Northern Lights College where my sister Twila and I are attending. Dick Reimers also attended one service while Laverne was here.

Danny Bergen is home from his job in Stirling, Alberta. He and his brother Tim plan to work for their dad logging the rest of the winter. David Bergen Sr. is quite laid up right now with two pinched discs in his back.

The teachers and schoolchildren accompanied by Jesse Peachey took their Christmas program to two senior citizens homes and a convalescent hospital in Dawson Creek and Pouce Coupe this afternoon. They do this each Christmas season.

Todd Sadlier is spending Christmas holidays with his family here, having recently driven up from his job in Oregon. Danny Brubakers are back again from their trip to Wisconsin to visit relatives and attend the wedding of Danny's sister.

Wade Sadliers are in the community and waiting for word to go back to Burns Lake on another logging job.

Jess Pechey and Ivan Sadlier recently had a near accident at Jesse Peachey's sawmill. A large log was hurled many feet into the bush when a knot snagged on the saw. Luckily neither man happened to be in its path. But it made them do some serious thinking the rest of the day.

Carol Peachey

WELLESLEY, ONT., CAN

Cedar Grove A.M. Church

Dec. 15--When Paul, son of Leonard and Mary Jantzi, and Nancy, dau. of Norman and Esther Wagler, Edward and Marie went to their cousin's wedding at Dryden, Ontario, they had brother-in-law Larry Albrecht, nephew Jonathan Ropp and Darrel Kuepfer running their dairy farm.

We had an interesting day when teacher friends of Joy's came to church and visited us, Nancy Wideman, Mary Frey, Mary Martin, Grace Freeman, Malinda and Salome Bauman. They spent the evening with Elmer Wagler.

We finally got rid of our invalid cow. She had a broken hip, which kept her from going into the barn, so all fall we had her in the yard with three calves. We got her into a box stall for the winter. Then one day another cow bumped her,, she fell and broke her hip again. When Mahlon was helping her, she swung her head and banged his leg against the cement trough, now Mahlon is sporting a fiberglass cast.

The firsst week of Dec. Frank Manken, his son Joshua from Ohio had Bible meetings with us at Ceder Grove.

Mrs. Sadie Jantzi

DESBORO, ONT., CAN.

Dec. 29--Weather has been real winter-like, more so than the past 2 winters. Have had several days that it only went up to zero and a cold north wind.

Christmas day was in the teens, warm for a change. Boxing day was a cold north wind and zero at warmest, but it is milder again since. Yesterday was up to 27°. That was the first time since Dec. 10th that it went above 22°.

East dist. church to be at Peter J. Yoders' on Sun., Dec. 31. West was at John C. Stutzmans', Dec. 24. Attending from East were John N. Sts., Eli J. Sts., Dan and Anna J. St. and the Mast youngfolks. Church next to be at Jacob D. Zooks', Jan. 7.

Recent births were: a son no. 3 to Elmer S. Swartzentrubers on Dec. 13, whom they named Joas. Grands are Bish. Sam L. Sw. of here and Joe N. Stutzmans of Gladwin, Mich.

Also a dau. no. 3 and fourth child to David A. Hostetlers on Dec. 20, which they named Lovina. Grands are John N. Stutzmans of here and Andy Hostetlers of Medina Co., Ohio.

Also a dau. no. 1 and 4th child to Andy A. Yoders on Dec. 21, which they named Ada. Grands are Bish. Joe A. Millers of here and Andy P. Yoders of Medina Co., Ohio.

Josie R. Yoders arrived Sat. to spend the holidays with their son and wife, the Sammie J. Yoders.

Ezra D. Yoders lost their 2 driving horses exactly a week apart. Vets were suspicious about rabies, but tests showed negative. So when the 2nd one went exactly the same way, more tests were taken. Vets took heart, liver, kidneys, etc. Results will be known about 2 wks. and Ezra says all his horses could be dead by then! None others have showed signs so far. We hope it is nothing contagious, as the last one was used to go to church just 2 days before it went down.

Daniel J. Stutzman has plans to leave for Medina Co., Ohio this p.m.

A record of this settlement for 1989 is as follows: 10 births, 5 girls and 5 boys, and one death. Five marriages, 3 got their partners from Ohio. Two couples moved to Medina Co. area; one moved here. There are 2 church districts with 36 families and 2 widows. Three schools with 61 pupils. Three of this year's weddings took a teacher, one out of every one of our schools.

Peter J. Yoders just finished remodeling part of their house. They tore out one partition to enlarge their kitchen. Also ripped out old plaster and lathe, then put in insulation and drywall. The painting will wait until next summer.

Noah J. Stutzman

ST. MARY'S, ONT., CAN.

Lakeside District

Dec. 19--Visitors with Melvin Albrechts on Sun. were Simon Zehrs and Kenneth Albrechts from Milverton.

Going to Mt. Elgin on Sat. afternoon with horse and buggy were Daniel Graber, Noah and Lydia Hertzler and Sarah F. Mast from LaPlata, Mo. They came home Sun. evening after the singing.

Dec. 27--Still snowing with temp. at zero most mornings, going up to 8° and 10° during the daytime.

Bish. Jonas Hertzler and wife, Min. David Graber and wife went to Aylmer Sat. evening and returned home early Mon. morning (Christmas).

Church on Sun. at Elizabeth Hochstetler's with the Martin Hochstetler family from Clare, Mich., Min. Peter Stolls, Timothy Stolls and their families and Noah Gaschos, all from Aylmer, attending. Church next time at the same place.

Sarah F. Mast left for her home Fri. morning.

Peter Stolls and 4 children, Timothy Stolls and 3 children and Noah Gaschos came to their parents', John Henry Coblentzes' on Sat., They, with John Henry's family still at home and Melvin Albrecht family, had Christmas dinner with David Grabers.

Having Christmas dinner with Elizabeth Hochstetler were Alvin, Rufus, Yost, Enos, all Yoders and their families, the Jonas Hertzler family, Amanda and Anna Yoder and the Martin Hochstetler family.

Martins, with their 7 children, came on Fri. evening to visit her mother, Anna Yoder, bros. and sisters, leaving for home today after having dinner with Rufus Yoders.

John Stutzmans, Levi B. Troyer and Eli Petersheims had Christmas dinner with Henry Troyers.

Going to Mt. Elgin the 26th were the Yost Yoder family and Eli Petersheims to the women's mother's, Mrs. Enos Swarey's; the Alvin Yoder family to her parents', Wm. Borntragers'.

Margaret Albrecht had an appointment with her doctor in Stratford yest., expecting she can come home without her cast. Mrs. Elmer N. Yoder

LINWOOD, ONT., CAN.

Jan. 2--The annual school meeting for all five church districts was at Alvin Kuepfers' northwest of Milverton. The new trustees elected for the 3 schools in North and South church districts are Leonard Wagler, Kenneth Albrecht and Reuben Zehr. One of the things discussed was that parents should warn their children of the danger they face from traffic while walking to and from school. The key word is "respect". Respect the safety rules, respect each other and all others using the road, respect the fact that fast-moving traffic cannot stop or change directions suddenly.

Now I've raised a question in my own mind. Maybe the answer is simple. Here is the question ... What is the most accurate, or the best word in German or Pennsylvania Dutch, for the English word "respect"?

Our girls had their cousins and North part young folks here for supper last night and a game of progressive crokinole.

Regional police are trying a new program, whereby motorists caught drinking and driving, are given a 1/2 price coupon to go to a Holiday Inn overnight.

Canadian passenger train service is to be cut approximately in 1/2 this year, some cuts starting this month. Via rail is government owned, and is losing an unacceptable amount of money.

Now some labor board has ruled that union members who lose their jobs because of this, will have to be paid full salary until retirement age, an average of 30 years. In the meantime, if the railway has no work for them, they are free to take other jobs also at full pay, while the taxpayer is paying them also, at the rate of up to 20 million dollars per year.

Elmer Kuepfer

AYLMER, ONT., CANADA

Dec. 26--Church was at Ervin Millers' with a large attendance. From Lakeside were Bish. Jonas Hertzlers and Min. David Grabers. They came down here with the same driver that took Peter and Timothy Stolls and Noah Gaschos up to John Henry Coblentzes for the Christmas weekend.

Harvey Miller and Fannie Mae Wagler are home from their teaching jobs at Charlotte and Middlebury. Both will be home a week.

Our yearly statistics are as follows: 3 schools with 94 pupils, 13 babies were born, 5 boys and 8 girls. There was one death, a baby who died at birth. We had 4 weddings and both partners in each marriage were from around here. All 4 built new houses after marriage. Four families moved in and one family move to Gorrie. We have 1 member in her 80's, 5 in their 70's, 2 in their 60's. There are 59 households in 3 districts. About 65% of our men and boys are farmers, while the rest are carpenters or work in shops (Amish owned). Polly Anna Stoll

CHESLEY, ONT., CAN

Jan. 4--This letter is being written from Scottsville, Ky. area where Bro. Johns and I arrived on Wed. morning to help care for grandmother after receiving a call that she was not well.

We found her better than we expected but still far from well. Shortness of breath is one of the main problems. She seems fairly good from her spell about mid Dec. that affected her speech, as well as her left arm and leg some.

She needs attention day and night and is not taking much more than liquids.

She was very restless last night and did not get much sleep. We had to get her out on the rocking chair several times for a while. Her mind is good yet and knows that we are here but is mostly too weak to visit much.

Sis. Lydia, Elizabeth and bro. Eli were here from Ethridge when we came. Also Bro. Moses and wife Mary from Ind.

Bro. Eli, Johns, Elizabeth and Lydia all want to leave tomorrow for Ethridge.

I will probably stay over the weekend.

We are hoping that Bro. Joe and Daniel will also show up soon.

Here we had rain last night and spring-like weather today. We can hardly imagine it is still winter up home.

Noah Stutzman

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AYLMER, ONT., CANADA

Jan. 1--Some ice houses were filled last week and expect more will be filled this week.

Church services were held at Nathanael Stolls' yesterday with Henry Weilers and 3 children attending from Bolivia. They arrived Sat. night for a week's visit at his brother John Weilers'. They left their home a month ago and were visiting parents and relatives in Manitoba.

Jacob Eicher was unable to attend church yesterday, so the young folks went over to sing for them in the afternoon. He really appreciates visitors and maybe some of his old-time acquaintances would like to send them a word of encouragement. Address is: Route 4, Aylmer, Ont. N5H2R3. He had a light stroke a few weeks ago.

On Thurs. eve. Linda Bender, Ida Mae Gascho and Miriam Swartzentruber arrived home from Iowa together. Miriam had been in Bloomfield over a month and Ida Mae 3 weeks. Linda was in Kalona 2 weeks.

Robert Alexander was strolling towards home through the woods one day when he happened to come upon a jackrabbit. The jack startled and started running off with his eyes focused back at Robert. Not looking ahead, he ran smack into a tree, stunning himself. Robert picked him up and finished him. He carried him home to his family and it served about 3 meals since it was a large one.

A certain young man has a dog who greatly enjoys chewing the backholds off the buggy shafts. One day he got an idea and sprinkled some red pepper on and whistled for the dog. A few min. later the dog started chewing but was in for a surprise and was soon rolling in the snow. The boy, satisfied it worked, left the scene. That night it snowed enough to melt some pepper off that the dog still succeeded in doing it. The boy disgustedly took it over to the local harness shop. There the harness maker chanced to get some on his fingers and in his mouth too! It caused some chuckles and the situation still isn't solved.

Harold Stolls

NEWTON, ONT., CANADA

Dec. 28--We have had a lot of cold weather. Have a nice amount of snow.

23 women attended our Dec. relief sewing. The girls had their sewing at the home of Dan and Wendy Kuepfer.

Lloyd Kuepfer went to the Listowel hospital Christmas eve. with a gallstone attack. He is having surgery this morning.

Almeda Kuepfer was able to spend Christmas day at home. She has been in the hospital for some time. They bring her home in the ambulance now and then for a day at home. She has M.S.

Maryann Streicher had the misfortune of falling overboard on their barn steps Fri. before Christmas. She was closing the trap door at the time. She had to have 2 stitches at the back of her head and her back was quite sore, but is feeling a lot better.

We had the young people here Christmas night for supper and the evening. The 26th they were at the home of Ivan Streichers'. Mrs. Allan Streicher

FULLARTON, ONT., CAN.

Dec. 29--We have been having the coldest Dec. in these parts since they began keeping records. Dec. 2 was the last day that the temperature went above freezing.

On Mon., Nov. 13, Nicholas Klassen of Germany was in our church to give a talk on his experiences while living in Russia, also on the work of his organization in sending material aid and Christian literature to communist countries. He spoke in German and Lorne Steckly interpreted. Ura Miller of Christian Aid Ministries also spoke briefly.

When opportunity was given for questions several of our brethren asked their questions in Plautdietsch (low German) and Nicholas answered in the same tongue, leaving the translator and some of the rest of us pretty much in the dark.

Fri., Nov. 17, was the date for the wedding of Keith Toews and Candace Penner. Wedding sermon and vows were by Keith's father, Min. Robert Toews. Candace is the dau. of Fred and Rachel Penner. Attendants were Lyndale Penner of El Campo, Tex. and Michelle Goodnough.

This year has seen a few more families from western Can. moving east. Two more families moved to join the small congregation at Tatamagouche, Nova Scotia. Three families have moved to Centreville, New Brunswick, the first members of our church in that province. Murphy and Melody Friesen of our congregation are spending the winter there, but plan to return home in spring. Murphy has found work there for the winter months.

The overthrow of the hard line communist governments in eastern Europe culminated on Christmas day with the execution of Romania's dictator Nicolae Ceuasescu and his wife on Christmas day. This is just the beginning of change. It will take years to undo the damage done by repression and economic mismanagement and probably no human government could ever fulfill the expectations aroused in these countries.

This letter is being written at the home of Ervin and Amanda Stoll at Homeworth, Oh. We left home Wed. at 3:30 in the afternoon and arrived here at 12:30 a.m. It took longer than we had anticipated due to snow causing poor visibility and slippety roads. Bob Goodnough

LINWOOD, ONT., CANADA

Dec. 25--Today at church at Alvin Kuepfers' we heard the true Christmas story. It was not about Rudolph, the red-nosed reindeer, nor about Santa Claus and toys, and gifts that do not last. It was about the gift God gave us, our Saviour Jesus Christ, and if we accept this gift, it is everlasting. Sermons were by Joe Kuepfer and Eli Kuepfer, text by Lloyd Kuepfer. Church in South dist. today was at Alvins' neighbours, Ezra Albrechts', just across the line.

A few more record lows have been recorded. The windchill factor is such that the rocking chair is closer to the stove and farther from the windows than normal.

Mom here has a cough. I didn't know what a real cough was until after I married Mom. When she gets one, she gets it good and right now, she has the best one yet, even though she has tried a whole stack of home remedies. We are both getting a little tired, after nights of short naps between coughing spells. So tomorrow she goes to see a doctor. That is, if we can find one on Boxing Day.

Danny and Ruth Albrecht, after almost 6 years of marriage, have a little boy, their first child. Therefore, Danny's parents, Chris and Ruth Albrecht, without having to pass any tests, and with no effort on their part, have been promoted into the "grandparents" generation.

Elmer Kuepfer

CHESLEY, ONT., CANADA

Jan. 1--The month of Dec. has been colder than normal. They say it was the coldest Dec. for 70 years. We had a good blanket of snow for protection.

Yest. was mild and a little rain most of the day.

I sometimes wonder why my letters don't all appear in *The Budget*. Several days ago I found one reason when I came across my Dec. 7 letter still in my desk!

Tam Stevenson, a retired plumber of Chesley, passed away early in Dec. in his 82nd year. He had gone out to his farm to feed the cattle. When he did not return they went to investigate and found him in the feeding alley and life had fled. He had a heart condition.

Our dry summer of '89 is now behind us and with our ample snowfall it should put lots of moisture in the ground to raise the water level again. Everytime something goes wrong people cry to our government for help, whether it is poor prices, drought or storms, people always ask for handouts. Milk, cream and pork are subsidized now, although feeder pig prices have come back strong, going as high as $1.35 lb.

It is said that the year 1859 was Grey Bruce County's driest year on record. There was no rain from June 23 to Aug. 11 and late sown grain just dried up from lack of moisture and warm winds. After the rains did come it was too late and some fields were not harvested.

As fall turned into winter the problem became serious. Five men were appointed to decide how to handle the problem.

They decided that Bruce Co. would borrow $8,400 to buy seed grain and food staples, like flour, cornmeal, etc. to tide the settlers over until another crop could be grown. No one was allowed more than 5 bu. seed grain until everyone had his allotted share. Any seed grain left over was sold to those who needed more at one shilling and 3 pence per bu. profit.

Rate payers were requested to work for the township, building and improving roads as pay for their seed grain and food. The rule was that if a family had 2 or more able-bodied men they would not qualify for assistance. They were expected to shift for themselves. Trees were cut during the summer so cattle could browse on leaves and branches.

The whole Dominion of Can. assisted in this need. Help also came from Scottland where many of these settlers originated.The Grand Trunk Railway lowered their rates by 50% to help the unfortunate.

Some supplies also came by load to Kincardine and South Hampton where settlers picked them up. Today society is overfed and almost too soft to walk to the mailbox.

Postage rates have gone one cent more. It now cost 39¢ here in Can. and 45¢ to U.S.A. for a first class letter.

A letter from Dad at Scottsville last week says Mother had something like a light stroke which affects her speech, also the left arm and leg somewhat, on Dec. 19th. They had her out on a chair to give her exercise. Their address is 1261 West Hinton Rd., Scottsville, Ky. 42164.

Later--Bro. Johns and I will be leaving early in the morning to be at her bedside.

Noah Stutzman

ELMIRA, ONT., CANADA

Dec. 27--The crunching of snow underfoot reminds us of the deep freeze we've been living in since the beginning of Dec. The warmest morning temperature since. Dec. 1 was around 10° F and the coldest was 17° below.

Keith and Audrey Martin of the Beachburg community welcomed their fifth children, third son to their family on Dec. 12, named Lucas. Grandparents are Earl and Lorene Martin and Urias and Melinda Martin.

Paul and Verna Bauman welcomed their 5th child, second dau. to their family on Dec. 8 named Maryann. Grandparents are Gordon and Madeline Bauman and Alvin Baumans.

On Dec. 18 Leon and Irene Martin welcomed their third child, 2nd son to their family named Trevor Paul. Leon's oldest son Alex died at 3 mos. due to crib death, a little over a year agao. Grandparents are Milton Martins and Joe Brubachers.

David and Nancy Horst of the Beachburg community welcomed their 7th child to their family on Nov. 20, named Miriam Rose. She has 2 sisters and 4 bros. Grandparents are Mrs. Enoch Horst and Simeon Webers.

Sometime near the beginning of Dec. Leroy and Frances Reibel were blessed with their first child, Viola. Grandparents are Ralph Reibels and Menno Webers.

My wife's aunt Dorothy, Mrs. Lloyd Martin, is taking her second series of chemotherapy treatments. The doctors say her leukemia is in remission, according to bone marrow tests taken just prior to her second series of treatments.

Herman Weber hasn't been well for the last month with flu-like symptoms, nausea and almost pneumonia.

Maynard, 18-yr.-old son of Milton and Erma Martin, suffered a nervous breakdown and has been hospitalized since Dec. 19. He is improving now and his 8 bros. take turns being with him in the hosp. overnight.

Due to a chimney from a propane stove frosting up at Maple View church on Sun. a number of people were either sick or had a headache for a while. Joseph and Salome Weber's 4-yr.-old dau. was unconscious for a while. Salome had taken her 2 children to the anteroom with the malfunctioning stove and they (the children) slept soundly. Just prior to the closing of the service she proceeded to awaken her children to get their coats on, but her 4-yr.-old just did not wake up. Her husband Joseph was summoned and he suggested keeping her near the stove for warmth but someone soon insisted she be taken outside. At that time they didn't know yet what the problem was.

Thankfully, she became conscious again before they left from church. Some people had smelled a slight propane odour when they came to church, but soon got used to it and thought nothing of it, till the excitement at the end of the service. Needless to say, burned propane fumes are nothing to be trifled with.

On Christmas day at Elmira, ministers Clare Frey and Joseph Weber brought the messages. Cleon Bauman

LUCKNOW, ONT., CAN.

Dec. 27--Weather has been cold and stormy the last week.

Church was at Edward E. Gingerichs' on Sun. in S. Dist. Strangers attending were Lewis D. Shetlers and sons Noah and Levi of N.Y.

Last Tues. was the wedding of Eli D. Byler and Verna L. Miller. Nava huckers were Eli L. Miller and Edna J. Shetler, Rudy D. Byler and Carolina E. Miller of Mich. Hostlers were Joni E. Miller of Mich., Rudy E. Gingerich and Joni A. Yoder.

Strangers attending were Dannie L. Millers and son William, Gideon M. Millers and dau. Barbara and Dan A. Troyer of Norwich. Abe L. Millers and daus. Carolina and Mattie, Mose J. Bylers and son Jonathon, Joni E. Miller and Carolina E. Miller of Mich., John E. Millers and Amelia S. Miller of Ohio, Dannie D. Gingerich of Union City, Pa.

Those that left for the wedding in N.Y. that was last Thurs. for Dan D. Miller and Barbara J. Miller were William J. Millers, John J. Miller, Noah D. Stutzmans and dau. Linda, Aaron L. Millers and Joni A. Yoder. John J. Miller and Joni A. Yoder came home on Saturday. The rest are staying over Christmas. Aarons and Noahs plan to stop in Norwich.

Dan E. Miller of Mich. is in the area.

Dan J. Bylers were to New York and Norwich.

Jacob D. Millers and dau. Esther and son David were to Ohio to visit his folks, and also visited in Mich.

Levi A. Miller, Mrs. Levi L. Miller Jr. and son Noah, Barbara and Rudy E. Gingerich and Joni A. Yoder were to Ohio to attend the wedding of Levi J. Miller and Lizzie N. Hershberger.

Dan and Mary Byler

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David Skerry had a bit of ill luck on his way back to Ore. He smelled something funny so he stopped by the side of the road and got out to check, only to discover smoke billowing out of the trunk of his car. Everything in the trunk was aflame except a handbag which he managed to salvage. He suspects an electrical short as the cause. A trucker gave him a ride to Lethbridge where Jake Hofer met him and gave him a ride back to Stirling.

M. Hofer

STIRLING, ALBERTA, CAN.

Dec. 10--Sarah J. Hofer is in the hospital due to a blood clot in her leg. She was having severe pain and drove herself to emergency, from where she was admitted.

Dale Maldaner was baptized and received as a member of the church last Sunday.

School is in session again. We welcome Mary Bergen back from a visit to her family in Baytree, Alberta.

Steve and Betti Hofer and family, Eldorado Springs, Mo., surprised the folks around here with a visit to his folks, John and Leila. Johns knew about it, but kept it a secret.

Bruce Maldaner left for Maranatha Bible School for one term. The youth had a farewell gathering for him Mon. evening.

David Skerry returned to Oregon as well.

The youngfolks and some married couples went singing at a local nursing home and for Sarah J. at the hospital.

The weather has been windy and fairly dry. We had a little bit of rain, but no snow. The wind reached a peak of 120 km per hr. (75 mph). M. Hofer

BAY TREE, ALB., CANADA

Jan. 4--Extreme is the best way to describe our weather of the past few weeks. Before Christmas we had some extreme cold, down to -40° F. Then a chinook wind blew in and laid the ground nearly bare. It rained on Christmas Day and a lot of ice turned to mud.

The Jesse Peachey family, except for Twila and I who both had to work Christmas Day, went to Ft. Nelson to spend Christmas with their son David and Barb and family. Danny Brubakers accompanied them and I guess it was quite a trip, as water and dirt in the gas tank greatly impeded their driving.

James and Brian LaRochelle and I traveled to Edmonton after Christmas for a brief stay. We spent the night with my sister Alta in the basement suite she rents, and next morning we picked up Llyn Madsen at her folk's place, the Neils Madsens. Llyn came to spend four days with me before flying back to her home in Vancouver. We've been good friends since grade six in school.

Lester Martins enjoyed the visits of two of their grown sons, Ben and Isaac and families, over the holiday season. Ben hails from Edmonton, and Isaacs from McBride, B.C.

The youth put a lot of time and effort into various programs for Christmas. They had a Christmas presentation at the Peace River Penitentiary for the inmates, and then later gave another program to the guards. They sang for the senior citizens at the Bay Tree hall, as well as holding a Christmas mall service in town and doing their usual caroling on Christmas Eve.

Many neighbors and friends attended our school Christmas program and enjoyed refreshments later. Teacher Justina Reimer then bused home to Manitoba to spend Christmas with her family. Unfortunately they had a chimney fire while Justina was there, so she stayed longer than intended to help get things back to order again. School resumed again this week with Mary Bergen filling in for Justina till she gets back. Mary is home temporarily from her teaching job in Stirling.

Chad Sadlier and David Bergen Jr. came home for Christmas also. They are presently working for my brother Jon in Ft. Nelson. Todd Sadlier drove home from Oregon to spend the holiday with his family as well. Carol Peachey

MILVERTON, ONT., CAN.

Jan. 3--A beautiful winter day, ideal for cutting wood. According to predictions we're to lose most of the snow by tomorrow. We had quite cold weather over most of the holidays.

The school Christmas party was Dec. 22nd. Stanley, son of Solomon and Peggy Jantzi, was not feeling well the day before the party, then the day of the party when Solomon came home he seemed quite a bit worse, so they took him to the doctor and from there to the London Hospital. It turned out he has sugar diabetes and has to have insulin daily. He was at school again yesterday.

The annual school and hospital aid meeting was held at Alvin Kuepfer's on Dec. 27. The new trustees for the 3 west schools are Jake Streicher, Ezra Streicher and Joe W. Albrecht.

Christmas Day church services were held at David and Joyce Kuepfers in Northwest dist., Alvin Kuepfers in Southwest dist., and Mervin Streichers in Middle dist. Alvin Kuepfers had the singing for the West and Middle part young folks.

Dan Jantzis and their 2 youngest daus., James Ebersols and family and my parents, Chris Kuepfers, with Elmer Ropp driving Amos Gascho's van, left for Ind. on Thurs. morn. My parents planned on staying in Ind. while the rest go on to Mo. Bish. Rufus Kuepfer also was in the load.

David K. Kuepfer

NEW HAMBURG, ONT., CAN

Dec. 30--The New Year begins and with it a new Budget writer. An old saying, "A new broom sweeps better." Our writers are always by appointment. You may be acquainted with Mary Good, our Deacon's wife, the new scribe.

Roger Good (Harold), Aaron Good's grandson was glad to have a machine stopped when his finger was taken. It could not be put back as a tiny piece of bone was missing. He is very thankful it was only the finger. He was getting along very well but had to go back to the hospital again for extra precaution and care.

Elsie Snider spent Christmas in the hospital. She has made a good recovery from surgery and is at home today. Since she lives at Nithview Home she has good care.

There was an evening of family carol singing. The group was divided into groups and all gathered when they were finished at John Martins' home for sloppy joes and whatever.

Merlin Bender and James Martin are scheduled to leave for India in the beginning of the New Year.

Ellen Eby

MOSSLEY, ONT., CANADA

Jan. 1--Milder weather. Yest. was up to 42° and a fine rain most of the day which settled the snow considerably.

There were very few days that it thawed at all in Dec. We also had more snow than we have had for quite a few years. The weather people say we had the coldest Dec. on record for over 70 years.

Last Sun. West gma was at Phineas B.s' and is bestellt at our house next Sun. Visitors were John and Lydia Kauffman of Marlette, Mich. and Felty T. Borntrager, Wisc.

Dinner guests at Enos Yoders' on Christmas day were Jonas Hershbergers, Sam Borntregers and the writers. At Levi Millers' were the Miller clan, and the Kauffmans were at Edward Yoders'. Then on 2nd day Christmas the Kauffmans were at David Kauffmans' including the Henry Kauffman family of Marlette, and the Borntreger clan was at Wm. C. B.s' including the Alvin Yoder family of Lakeside and the young folks of here.

Today the Yoders were at Enos Yoders' and the Hershbergers were at Levi Hershbergers'. At Levi Millers' were Ab K.s', Mrs. Ella Swarey and dau. Ella, Wm. C. B.s, Sam W. B.s and the writers, also the young folks.

Yest. East gma was at David Hershbergers'. Visitors were Levi Troyer Jrs. and 2 daus. and son of Marlette and Felty T. B. of Tomah, Wisc.

Fri. we put up ice at Wm. C. B.s'. It was approx. 11" thick. They also put up ice at Levi Kauffmans' that day, but quit by noon as it wasn't too thick and kinda sunk down so that a lot of water was on top of the ice.

I missed mentioning Mrs. Ella Swarey and daus. Susie and Ella and the young folks were also at Enos Yoders' on Christmas day. Susie Swarey went home with Levi Troyers' yest. to Marlette.

Clemens Borntreger

DUNSTER, B.C., CANADA

Jan. 5--The weather continues to be mild for this time of winter. It is very stormy today.

We had quite a few visitors over the holidays. Wayne Zimmerman's family was all here except those in the Philippines. Eugene Zimmermans from Wisconsin, Clinton Pletts (Elaine) from Manitoba and David Unruhs (Verna) from LaCrete, Alberta.

The Schapansky girls and Anna Fehr were home from their teaching jobs in Alberta. Alan Priest's family was to visit Mary's family, Harry Baers, between Christmas and New Year's, coming Friday and returning on Sunday afternoon.

Mervin and Fannie Baer and Clarence and Elizabeth Miller are presently on a trip to Wyoming to visit the interested families in the Carpenter and Wheatland areas. They also planned to visit the Flat Willow Hutterite Colony.

A man who had lived neighbors to us, Varley Young, passed away in his sleep. They were now living in McBride. He had taken over a real estate business.

Alan Baers have gone to Ontario to visit Janet's family. They are returning by way of Wis., visiting his brother Glenn. They plan to arrive home tomorrow (Sat.).

Those of the Harry Baer family who were here were to Dale Steiners' Christmas Day. Merlin Huber, our schoolteacher, went home to Ontario over Christmas and returned yesterday. Dan Zimmerman took Clinton Pletts to Edmonton to the airport to return home and brought Merlin back again.

The Nevin Zimmermans were to Warman, Sashatchewan, going on to Montana for a Hostetler family gathering.

Harry Baer

ST. MARY'S, ONT., CANADA

Lakeside Dist.

Jan. 7--The last week it has been in the upper 20's most mornings, going above freezing and one day at 40 above, taking a lot of our snow. A slow rain one day.

Church today at Elizabeth Hochstetler's with Min. Joe Stoll and wife, Fannie and Mary Stoltzfus and Martha Stoll from Aylmer present. They came Sat. eve. and plan to go home Mon. morn.

Church next time at Yost D. Yoders' just across the lane from the writer's.

Levi Jr. Troyers' children, Malinda, Irene and Paul from Marlette were in Mt. Elgin over last Sun. and here at John Stutzmans' for dinner on Mon., going home Mon. eve.

Henry Troyers' children, Laura Daniel, Martha and Linda and Eli Petersheim and wife left for Marlette, Mich. yesterday with plans to come home tomorrow. Levi B. Troyer is doing chores for Henrys and Melvin Albrechts for Eli Petersheims.

The Aylmer folks were at David Grabers' last night with plans to be at John Henry Coblentzes' tonight. The Aylmer folks, John Henry Coblentzes, David Grabers and the young folks had supper Sun. eve. with Elizabeth Hochstetler.

Mrs. Elmer Yoder

NORWICH, ONT., CAN.

Jan. 7--Dan E. Miller has been real well since his heart operation. He has been working some in the shop. He said he feels better than he did the last two years.

New babies in this area are a son Dannie to Roy G. Millers, and a daughter Lovina to Levi J. Bylers.

Newlyweds, Henry M. Shetlers, are in Lucknow over Sunday.

The sawmills are mostly at a standstill on account of small orders and frozen logs.

West church was at John Bylers' last Sunday and is to be at Ammon M. Millers' next.

East dale was at Pre. Dan L. Millers' yesterday (Old Christmas) and is to be there again next time.

Free trade seems to be showing up more and more. Exchange on money was hanging at 18¢ and I noticed gas was a little cheaper this week than has been for several years, although I don't know if it had anything to do with free trade.

Jonas J. Miller

CHESLEY, ONT., CAN.

Jan. 8--This letter is again being written from Scottsville, Ky. where I still am to help care for mother.

The weather here is very nice and we are eating homegrown lettuce every day out of a hotbed here at Hoover's.

Mother's breathing is some better and she eats some better again, but she now has other problems with fluid and one foot causes her quite a bit of pain parttime. Her one foot wants to turn blue and needs to be heated with blankets and rubbed with salve.

She gets so tired that we have to take her out on a rocking chair now and again, then back to bed. She is so sore all over that we hardly know how to move her.

Too much company tires her very easily, especially small children. Mother will be 84 on Feb. 3rd.

Franklin, Ky. is north of Nashville, Tn. The address here is 1261 West Hinton Rd., Scottsville, Ky. 42164. Dad is quite well for his age but would be glad to hear from old friends, etc. to help pass the time. Noah N. Stutzman

LINWOOD, ONT., CAN.

Jan. 8--We've had a few days when temperature went just above freezing, also a bit of rain, which has cost us some of our snow. A change from December, which was the coldest December on record.

Church yesterday was at Jacob and Martha Kuepfer's. Sermons were by Bishops Joe Kuepfer and Joe K. Jantzi, text by Lloyd Kuepfer.

Chris Kuepfers went along to their daughter, the Sam Q. Schwartzes, of Adams County, Indiana while the rest of a van load of Kuepfers, Jantzis and Ebersols went on to Seymour, Mo. They came home again Saturday evening.

We had the pleasure of a visit from the Toby Stoltzfuses of Romulus, N.Y., then Thurs. morn. they left for home again with a new diesel engine to power the machinery in their bake shop.

This writer has an appointment this p.m. to see if he is due again to have the polyps removed from inside his nose. Mom has been to the dr. a few times about her cough, with not much results yet. Her cough has thrown my sleeping habits out of whack. Elmer Kuepfer

WATERLOO, ONT., CANADA

Martins

Jan. 7--Postage in Canada has gone up one cent more since New Year, so we need 45¢ for a letter to U.S. and 39¢ here in Canada. We remember when an unsealed envelope could be mailed for 1¢ and a sealed one for 2¢.

We are having a little more snow and cold than last winter. This past week it rained and now we have ice all over.

Tomorrow is to be the funeral of Amos W. Frey, 84. He was a son of the late Dave and brother of Menno, Manasah, Noah etc. He had his home with a daughter, the Amos Martins, who live near Maston, on 86 Highway. His wife died a few years ago. A mongoloid son Allan, in his 30's, was at home yet with Dad. The funeral will be held at the home and then to Peel for further services.

Mrs. John (Nancy) Martin had a cataract removed about a month ago and seems like a success so far.. Mrs. Enos Martin (Elvina) of St. Jacobs has shingles so that she was in bed for a week but she is better. They have no family and Barbara Martin (who was raised at Austin Snyders') has been their maid for quite a few years.

Close by Enos' live his nephew and wife Urias and Selinda Martin. Urias broke his leg or foot quite badly and it is taking a long time to heal.

Mrs. Edwin (Selina) Bauman is not so well at times. It is a year now she is totally blind, is diabetic and lies down mostly these last six and a half years because of arthritis. She can still cover coat hangers and crochet around jar rubbers for hot pads, when she feels like it. Some days she is too sleepy. Edwin has cousins who may want to write them at Wallenstein, R. 1, Ont. N0B 2S0.

Herman Weber, about 60 years, will have to take treatments in the near future. A few years ago he lost one kidney to a tumorous cancer. He is a member of the Markham Church.

Aaron & Barbara Weber

Mt. Elgin, Ontario

Enos S. Swarey, son of Christian and Susie (Peachey) Swarey was born April 26, 1927 at Belleville, Pa.; died Aug. 26, 1989 of a heart attack. Age 62 years, 4 months. He was married Nov. 27, 1947 to Ella Peachey near Allensville, Pa. Lived in matrimony 41 years, 8 months and 30 days. Leaves to mourn his departure, his wife, 11 children: Susie at home; Ezra, Lancaster, Pa.; Enos, Dry Run, Pa.; Ella, at home; Katie (Mrs. Yost Yoder), St. Mary's, Ont.; Christian, Dry Run, Pa.; David, Meyersdale, Pa.; Solomon, Mossley, Ont.; Mattie (Mrs. Eli Petersheim), St. Mary's, Ont.; Emma (Mrs. David Hershberger), Mt. Elgin, Ont.; Malinda (Mrs. Absolom Kauffman), of the home; 40 grandchildren; 2 brothers; 6 sisters and 1 stepmother. He was preceded in death by his parents, 4 brothers, 3 sisters, 1 son, Rufus, and 1 grandson. The family wishes to express their sincere thanks for all the help, prayers, cards, letters and visits during their bereavement.

-Sadly missed by
Wife and Family

MOSSLEY, ONT., CAN

Jan. 14--We are having milder weather since New Year's. So far it thawed every day. Had some snow squalls but didn't last long.

Last Sunday gma was at the writer's place. Visitor was Felty T. Borntrager from Tomah, Wis. He left on the early morn. bus out of London yest. morn. to spend a few days at Reed City, Mich., then on home.

Gma is bestellt at Levi Millers' next Sunday. E. gma was at David Hershbergers' today. Is bestellt at Wm. W.B. Jrs'. in 2 weeks.

An unusual incident occurred recently when some of the scholars started finding some money scattered along the edge of the road on the way home from school for about 2 mi. At last reports around $100 was found, all in coins. Have no clue how it got there.

We had an exceptionally cold December and reports are it was the coldest December for 72 yrs., but I haven't been around long enough to prove it. About the coldest we had this winter was -6 or -8.

Clemens Borntreger

LINWOOD, ONT., CANADA

Jan. 15--Moderate temperatures and lots of snow.

Lorne and Ruth Kuepfer have a new little girl at their house, born Jan. 12th. Grandparents are Lydia Kuepfer (widow of David S. Kuepfer) and Harvey Jantzis. Our daughters Verna and Christena will take turns helping there for the next few weeks.

Mom took a sample of our dog's hair and of our budgie's feathers to be tested for allergic reactions. As a result, the budgies were cleared but the poor dog has been banished from the house. Hopefully, this will help Mom get over her cough. Meanwhile the dog is adjusting to her new lot in life, but not before having chewed a hole through the barn door (which has since been lined with tin).

Danny and Ruth Albrecht's little Stephen was only a tiny fellow when born a few weeks ago, so had to stay in the hospital for a while, but has gained enough that they have let him come home now.

We just heard that Lornes have named their little girl Irene.

Elmer Kuepfer

AYLMER, ONT., CANADA

Jan. 15--A very hard flu is among us and strikes old and young alike. It brings with it high fever and headache, sore throat and aching all over. Wayne Benders' baby was in the hospital 24 hr. with bronchitis. All three districts had small attendance yesterday.

The Stolls gathered on Mon., Jan. 8th, to cut wood for us out of the bush on our former farm. We had 26 men and boys here for the noon meal. Others helped only half a day but we appreciate it all.

I am at home again after being in the hospital for a hysterectomy. Went in Jan. 9 and came home four days later. I feel as well as expected and am enjoying my many visitors.

Alva Stolls have 15-day tickets and plan to leave Tues. to visit friends and relatives. Her mother in Del. is in the hospital with a broken hip so they will spend more time there then anywhere else. Their family of 11 children will all stay home.

Polly Anna Stoll

AYLMER, ONT., CANADA

Jan. 15--A lot of flu and sickness floating in the community. Church services were at James Stolls' on Sunday with only about half attendance on account of flu.

Wayne Benders' 12-week-old baby was admitted to the hospital on Sat. eve. with bronchitis, but was released again Sun. evening.

Floyd, 5-year-old son of Jacob Eicher Jrs. had minor surgery done on Thurs. at the hospital and returned home the next day again.

Joe Stolls discovered a rabid fox was chasing their horses around in the field recently. The fox got away for them.

Robert Alexanders are visiting relatives in Michigan for a few days.

Polly Anna Stoll is recuperating at home following major surgery at St. Thomas Hospital on Tuesday.

Mrs. Nancy Gascho, John Gaschos, Joe Stolls, Stephen Stolls, Mrs. Rosanna Bender, Lois Gascho and Nathanael Stoll attended a funeral in Wellesley of Samuel Jantzi, 21, who died in a manure spreader accident. Harold Stolls

PETERSBURG, ONT., CAN

New Hamburg Congregation

Jan. 10--The fields are mostly snow-covered and this morning snow is clinging to the tree branches and shrubs. The cold weather in Dec. has moderated and we have enjoyed many sunny days.

Students from our area who are leaving for Carbon Hill this weekend are Roland, Charlotte and Dean Good. Arnold Good has been asked to serve as a teacher for 3 weeks.

The Bethany sisters' sewing circle met in the sewing room of the church yesterday. Articles of clothing and bedding were packed to send to Guatemala Mission.

Elsie Snider of Nithview Home in New Hamburg was hospitalized recently for surgery. She is recovering satisfactorily.

Ann Weber, who works at a senior homee in Kitchener, spent the weekend at Gerry and Susie Wagler's home. She very much appreciated the country atmosphere and farm activities.

Cheryl Huber and Kevin Bauman have announced their engagement. A July wedding is planned.

Aaron Good has had a bout with shingles recently. He is feeling somewhat improved and is able to attend services.

Recent visitors at the home of Kevin and Erna Huber were Marvin Duecks of Pa. and Dan Martins of Man.

Joseph H. Weber of Fairview Mennonite Home in Cambridge, Ont., formerly of Waterloo, Ont., is having a birthday on Jan. 30. He will be 100 years of age. He is our uncle.

Aaron & Mary Good

LINWOOD, ONT., CAN.

Jan. 22--We had our Jan. thaw last week, which took some, but not all of our snow. This morning we are getting a nice fresh coat.

Church yest. was at Simon Zehrs'. Sermons were by Joe N. Jantzi and Menno Albrecht; text by Lloyd Kuepfer.

Canada Postal Corp. has increased postage rates again, so now it costs 39¢ to mail a letter to a Canadian address and 45¢ to a U.S. address. Away back in the 40s, I was just a schoolboy, but I remember Dad's hired man complaining that since postage went up to 3¢, he could hardly afford to write his girl friend anymore.

Normans and some other of the Jantzis were to Aylmer last week to help David Jantzis with their new buildings.

Belated news in that Joe N. Jantzis were promoted up one generation to great-grandparents, since Calvin Jantzis of Aylmer have a little boy.

A man was asked by a group of youths, "What is that you are carrying in that bag?" Replying that it was a Bible, he was assaulted and very seriously injured. This is from a news item in Kitchener-Waterloo Record, having occurred in Toronto last month.

Elmer Kuepfer

BAY TREE, ALBERTA CANADA

Jan. 12--Our mild winter weather continues. We have a nice amount of snow now but not excessive.

My sister Lucinda has a rather painful left eye at the moment. She had minor surgery on Friday to correct the problem with a weak muscle that has given her a "lazy" or wandering eye since infancy. The surgery tightened the muscle. The doctor tells her the eye will turn slightly inward for the first while after surgery but will then relax to focus where it should. Luci has good vision; the surgery will mostly improve her looks. People who are not used to her wandering eye will sometimes comment that they can't tell just where Luci is looking. It was such a quick and simple operation that it seemed worth it to get it corrected now, as a teenager.

Joel and Lorna Martin had a hauling job to Grande Prairie from southern Alberta where they live, so they used this opportunity to come visit his folks, the Lester Martins.

David Bergen Sr. had a recent bout with back problems again. It really lays him flat for awhile when it hits him. His sons Danny and Tim keep his winter logging operations going while he is laid up.

Our schoolteacher, Justina Reimer, came back from her Christmas holidays last weekend and has resumed her teaching duties. Mary Bergen also left for her teaching job in Stirling last weekend.

I attended an adoptive parent preparation course in Grande Prairie the past two days and will attend again for the next two Saturdays. This course is geared to give information and education about special needs of children who are available for adoption. If you want to adopt a health Caucasian infant, you may wait as long as eight or ten years, but with special needs children (handicapped, biracial, sibling groups) it is usually the other way around. They remain in foster homes for years, waiting for someone to adopt them and provide them with a family of their own. Carol Peachey

FULLARTON, ONT., CAN.

Jan. 13--January has proved to be much kinder so far than December. At times it has been almost spring-like. We still have a good snow cover in this area, though.

We had car trouble on the last day of 1989, while we were still in Ohio. Since this was a Sunday and the next day was New Year's Day, there was no way to get it fixed until Tuesday and no promise that it would get fixed that day either. So I hitched a ride home with Chester and Lois Toews who had been together with her family at Kidron. As it turned out our car was fixed 2 hours after we left and we could have made it home that day yet. But I needed to return to work the next day and didn't want to take chances. Chris and Michelle returned home Wednesday, bringing Wendel Toews with them, who had been bumped from his parents' car to make room for me (all our car needed was to replace 2 sensors in the fuel injection system. Ah, the wonders and the trials of modern technology).

We spent 3 nights with the Ervin Stoll family at Homeworth, Ohio, doing some visiting around during the day on Thursday and Friday. We had suppers with Larry Anthonys and Reed Koehns. One daytime stop was at the Verle Koehn home were the wife is the former Cora Beachy, former Budget scribe from Monterey, Tenn.

We then drove to the Kidron area for the weekend, spending time in the David Martin, Mark Troyer, Malva Shetler, Romaine Peters, Luke Troyer and Robert Holdeman homes. We also met brother Premkumar Khemchandani, formerly of New Delhi, India, who makes his home in the Kidron congregation, and the Ray Koehn family who are one of the families beginning a new congregation at Murray, Kentucky.

Monday evening we returned to Homeworth, in a borrowed pickup, for supper with the Marcus Durley family. They also had 3 school teachers as supper guests, Denise Litwiller, Sherry Bender and a Toews (sorry, I have forgotten her first name). They are teaching in 3 different congregations in Pennsylvania and had spent Christmas with family in Michigan. Marcus' daughter, on the other hand, was just about to return to teaching duties in Michigan.

That evening we attended revival meetings at the Homeworth church, with ministers Doug Koehn, of Livingston, California and Lorne Schellenberg of Beausejour, Manitoba doing the preaching.

My wife's niece, Barbara Legare, passed away this Monday morning, at home in Regina, Sask. after an almost 4-year battle with cancer. She was 16 years old. Chris flew out to Regina the next day to be with her sister, Donna, at this trying time. The funeral was on Thursday, in Moose Jaw, Sask., with ministers Ben Hiebert and Waldon Toews of the Swanson, Sask. congregation of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite, in charge. Donna has no church ties of any kind, but Ben and Lillian have been visiting since Barbie first began cancer treatment. So Ben seemed to be the right person to take charge of the funeral.

We are expecting to begin revival meetings here in a week, Jan. 21, with ministers Don Gable of Ithaca, Michigan and Earvey Ensz of Almena, Wisconsin. At present our two Spanish-speaking ministers are away for revival meetings. Glenn Schneider is in Belize and Lyle Wiebe in the state of Sinaloa, Mexico.

We have always felt a special kinship with people like ourselves who have grown up in another faith and have united with the Mennonite faith. While in Kidron we first saw a new book that describes what many of us have gone through in examining what we have been taught in other churches against the teachings of the Mennonite faith and determining which is of God. The book is by a sister who was a member of an evangelical protestant denomination and felt drawn to the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite, but found that so many of the things we believe and practice were diametrically opposed to what she had always believed to be Bible truth. The book is titled "Whether it be of God" and the writer is V.I. Stoppel. I found it a most interesting book as I had to go through all the same struggles in coming to the faith as this sister did.

Bob Goodnough

WELLESLEY, ONT, CAN

Cedar Grove A.M. Church

Jan. 13--It was very cold in December. One weekend it was 12 below zero. It is milder now.

William and Linda Peachey and son Arnold, who are friends of Rosemary Wagler, visited here and in church on Dec. 31.

Ezra Gerber, age 83, has been in the hospital with pleurisy which had affected his heart. He is our minister, Mahlon's dad.

Sam and Leah Wagler had their 55th anniversary on Jan. 3rd, with a group of friends and relatives joining them for the evening.

John Gascho had a slight stroke Jan. 4th. He turned 91. John and Lydia had their 68th anniversary.

Ezra and Emma Brennaman have also been confined to their home with pneumomia. Emma had pleurisy.

Norman and Laurene Jantzi have been confined to their home with pneumonia.

Joe and Debra Zehr, his parents Amos and Nancy Zehr, dau. Katie Erb, Millbank, Norman and Amy Zehr of Stratford, Kenneth Zehr, Pauline Neeb and baby, Jacob and Alma Zehr, Emma Wagler, Mary Gerber, Laura Jantzi of Millbank, Aaron L. and Katie Jantzi, Elmer and Elmina Jantzi of Wellesley attended the funerals of Aaron and Millie Zehr of Croghan, New York, the result of a car accident. Millie's was at New Bremen church on Sat. and Aaron's, who died on Friday, was held on Monday, at the Croghan Menn. Church. Omer and Esther Jantzi from Wellesley, attended this one.

Mrs. Emma Wagler spent Sunday at Athens, Ont., traveling with her daughter Erma and Irvin Horst and returned for the funeral on Monday.

Kenneth, son of Elmer and Elmina Jantzi, is confined to his home. He has a cast on his leg, after a cow stepped on his foot.

Samuel, son of Melvin and Norma Jantzi, became entangled in the chain drive of a manure spreader they were fixing, on Jan. 6th and was killed.

Noah Wengerd, Tennessee, had services for us on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Sadie Jantzi

DESBORO, ONT., CANADA

Jan. 15--Winter weather is changy, but not as severe cold as in Dec. Temp. is mostly in low 20s except Fri. morning it dipped to 5°. Had several rains which took down a lot of snow since New Year's, but also had more snow this past week, which brought out the sleighs again.

East church was held at Bish. Joe A. Millers' yest. Attending from West were Levi J. Stutzmans and Joe J. Stutzmans. Church next to be at Millers' again for Andy A. Yoders.

Quite a few children were missing on account of flu and colds. Various ones have had ear infections. None of the American diseases have been brought to this area yet. Whooping cough was reported among the English central school before Christmas, but so far no Amish have picked it up.

On the morning of Jan. 2 my parents, the John N. Stutzmans, along with dad's bro. Noah (Chesley scribe), left for Ky. after receiving a message during the night that their mother was low from suffering a stroke. On Sat. word was received of her death, so Mrs. Noah N. S. and son Moses left for the funeral of Mrs. Noah J. Stutzman (Mary) which is to be today.

The writer is back to light work again after losing almost 3 weeks from the same back troubles I suffered in Oct., only worse this time. Doctors say my back was still too weak from that time and was reinjured, apparently very easily done. Joseph L. Yoder has been helping with farm duties and chores.

The chiropractor says I have a pinched disc. which pinches nerves, especially the sciatica, which caused a lot of pain down the left leg.

Noah L. Shetler has been making various trips to the medical doctors and once or twice to the hosp. in Chesley, seemingly the same thing as he had last winter. Doctors usually sent him home, saying they think it's just his nerves. He keeps saying he was never nervous that he knows of. Sat. a trip to an Owen Sound doctor, who assured him it was his nerves, may help him to accept it better. He has lost some weight and seems weak that he can hardly chore at times. He used to be a strong man and not used to being sick at all.

Noah J. Stutzman

ST. MARY'S, ONT., CAN.

Lakeside District

Jan. 22--Some colder again an snowing all day. Since my other writin we had milder weather that took most c the snow.

Noah Troyers and 2 small childrer Irvin and Erma from Marlette, Mich came Thurs. morning and were our onl visitors in church on Sun. at Yost L Yoders'. Church to be there again nex time.

Noahs had an appointment for Irvi with an eye specialist in London Thur a.m. They left for home this morning.

Mrs. John Henry Coblentz and her sis Clara and possibly others were in Ayl mer area last Tues. with a dau., th Timothy Stolls.

Bish. Jonas Hertzler and wife left thi morning on a 2-week trip to N.Y., t different parts of Penna. and othe states. Mrs. Elmer Yode

CHESLEY, ONT., CANADA

Jan. 23--Weather is settled again after a day of snow squalls and sunshine mixed, almost like Mar. weather.

Jan. as a whole has been mild so far.

Church was at Dan J. Zooks' and will be at Peter D. Zooks' next.

Pre. Dan E. Stutzman is on a short trip to Wayne Co., Ohio.

William J. Shetlers of Lucknow area spent the weekend here visiting relatives.

Noah L. Shetler is better again and helped butcher hogs at Peter Zooks' yesterday.

Mrs. Elizabeth Yoder is in bed again with the flu.

My last letter was written from Scottsville area where I had been to help care for my sick mother. She passed away on Jan. 12th and was buried on the 15th. Only my wife and son Moses came for the funeral from this area. Only one van load of Chupp relatives came, but on the Stutzman side quite a few came, mostly grandchildren.

We then spent one night in Tenn. yet before returning home to see my sister Sarah who is not well. Their address is: Rt. 2, Ethridge, 38456, if some would like to write them.

Mother's age was 83 yrs, 11 months and 9 days. She had a blood clot in her left leg that caused a lot of pain and also filled up with fluid.

The Scottsville settlement has close to 60 families now and only 8 graves, if I remember right, 3 or 4 are small children. One is a single boy from Port Huron who had made his home at the Hoovers. He developed mental problems and poisoned himself with pills to the extent that he died about a week later in a hospital.

Our transportation system seems to be on a decline, Via Rail just recently took off their passenger service from Toronto to Vancouver.

Our local bus through Chesley to make connections for points south has also been taken off at the New Year.

We still have service out of Hanover for London and Kitchener 7:50 a.m. like before and at 8:10 for Toronto.

Anyone coming to Hanover in the evening will not find connections for Chesley like before.

They have taxi service there for anyone who knows where to go and is willing to pay the price.

Those who prefer to call a driver that knows where the Amish live can call John Winkel at 519-363-3627.

A cab from Hanover to here charged us $26.00 for 16 miles last week.

Noah Stutzman

LUCKNOW, ONT., CAN.

Jan. 16--Weather has turned milder after a cold spell.

Church was at Levi A. Millers' on Sun. in N. dist. Strangers attending were Andy J. Millers and 2 children of Norwich. Henry M. Shetlers (newlyweds) were also visiting in the area. They left for Norwich again this morning.

Our visitors Sat. evening and Sun. were Atlee G. Millers, Menno L. Millers, Tena, Mary, Ella and Sarah D. Stutzman, Dads, Joe J. Shetlers, Josey D. Shetlers, Levi D. Stutzmans, Mrs. Jacob M. Shetlers and Mrs. Henry M. Shetlers.

A dau. named Martha was born to us on Jan. 4, a sis. to Mosie. Grandparents are John J. Shetlers and Joni E. Bylers of Mich. Great-grandpa is Dan D. Stutzman Sr. and great-grandma is Mrs. Joe M. Shetler, both of Norwich. Sis. Annie is our hired girl.

A dau. named Alma was born to John D. Shetlers, Jan. 8.

Noah D. Stutzmans, Andrew N. Stutzmans and Ella J. Shetler had plans to leave for Union City, Pa. yest. to attend the wedding at Dan N. Stutzmans'.

Edward E. Gingerichs were on a trip to Path Valley and Union City, Pa. and N.Y.

Tobie E. Shetler, 5-yr.-old, broke his wrist in 2 places. Address is Rt. 2, Lucknow. Dan & Mary Byler

MILVERTON, ONT., CANADA

Jan. 15--So far we have had milder weather in Jan. than in Dec. and today nearly seems like a March day. There is enough snow on some roads to use a sleigh.

Yesterday church services in Southwest dist. were held at Bish. Levi Streichers' by Levi and Mahlon Schmidt. The flu is making its rounds again, which brought the attendance down some.

On Sat. Bish. Joe Kuepfers, John L. Jantzis, Adeline's mother and brother LeRoy and us went to Chesley, where John and Joe kept church services at Sam Zehrs'. A few young folks from this area were also there for the weekend.

John Ebersol had the misfortune of losing one of his fingers at the first joint. I understand the feed mixer is guilty of taking it off.

Solomon Albrecht, who had got a cut from a chain saw several weeks ago, is in the hospital again with infection. He is also supposed to have a hernia operation tomorrow.

Menno and Magdelena Ebersol have a little Ezra since Jan. 11. John Ebersoles and Ezra Albrechts are grandparents.

Allan and Emmaline Kuepfer also have a little boy born this morning. Joel Kuepfers and Mrs. Katie Kuepfer are grandparents.

Mrs. Eldon Albrecht had an operation in Kitchener-Waterloo hospital last week. She came home last Monday, then Tuesday morning she had to go back again, being released again Tuesday evening. David K. Kuepfer

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STIRLING, ALBERTA, CANADA

After a spell of mild weather, another cold front moved in from the north.

Rod Hofer had a slight mishap while helping his father at their hog operation. A knife slipped, gashing his hand. When the bleeding refused to stop, his mother and sister took him to a nearby hospital where he received some stitches.

John Mast entertained visiting family over the weekend of Jan. 14. His parents, Levi and Jean, Viola, and Richard, Florida and two married brothers and a nephew from Virginia flew to Great Falls, Montana where John met them. A carry-in dinner was held in the school basement in their honor on Sunday.

The youth gathered at the home of Joel and Lorna Martin for a mystery supper. They also put a box together for Bruce Maldaner, who is attending Maranatha Bible School.

Paul Wilma Hofer and Carol and Michael went to Baytree, Alberta for the weekend of the 21st and then went on up to Ft. Nelson to visit their daughter Barbara and David Peachey and family. Mary Bergen boarded at the Jake Hofers' during the time Pauls were away.

The latest sewing circle project was curtains for the church basement windows. A new president and vice president for the sewing were installed. Responsibility fell on Charlene (Yoder) Hofer and Sarah J. Hofer. M. Hofer

CHESLEY, ONT., CANADA

Jan. 31--The whole month of Jan. has been unusually mild. Several rainy days have taken most of the snow in fields.

This mild weather is just right for the flu bug after our cold Dec. Many people are or have been sick with it, including the writer.

We had company 2 nights while I was sick but did not feel good enough to visit much. Moses and Abe J. Gingerichs both spent a night here. They are from Ethridge, Tenn. Ben L. Shetlers also made a short stop here on Monday from Heuvelton, N.Y.

Noah and Jonas N., Anna J. and Andy E. Stutzmans all have plans to leave tomorrow morning for Clare, Mich. a few days, then to Medina Co., Ohio to take in the wedding of Daniel J. Stutzman of here and Ella H. Hostetler of Medina.

A letter in yesterday's mail from Scottsville, Ky. says my father Noah J. Stutzman had something like a light stroke during the night of Jan. 21st. He used to go over to Hoovers for his meals. When he did not show up for breakfast that morning they went to check on him and found him too dizzy to walk unless he could hold on to something. His speech was affected a little, also his right hand, arm and leg. He can move them but was not able to use them much.

The next night someone stayed with him then he tried to get up and fell on the floor and was not able to get up by himself. His new address is: 1009 Noah Drive, Scottsville, Ky. 42164.

Following are a few interesting facts that I got from a fellow who had been to Belize in Central America. It is a long, tiresome ride but if you are out to get your money's worth then this is the place to go. A round-trip ticket from Nashville, Tenn. to Brownsville, Texas was $118.00 and from there down another $38.00. I understood it was another 2000 miles from Texas.

Mexico City is one of the world's largest cities, and the bus station there is said to have 104 loading ramps. You can travel in first class coaches like we know them here. Reservations have to be made for 1st class buses, and then your ticket is only good on the day and hour that you have reservations for. If you miss it your ticket is no good and another one has to be bought and reservations made.

They had to wait 4 days one time to get reservations. Second class you go anytime. All gates are locked until loading time, then all unlocked at once and they tell you to hurry. People jump in through windows anywhere to try and get on buses before they are too full.

Noah Stutzman

DESBORO, ONT., CANADA

Jan. 28--Visitors from the States over this weekend were Dea. Ura J. Gingerichs, son Joely and dau. Lizzie, Moses J. Gingerichs, Abe J. Gingerichs, all of Ethridge, Tenn. area, also Ben L. Shetlers of Heuvelton, N.Y. area.

Moses and Abe J.G.'s were to Kentucky and Mich. before coming here. They will leave for N.Y. tomorrow. Ura J.G.'s were to Ky. and N.Y. before coming here.

East dist. church was held today at Bish. Joe A. Millers' for Andy A. Yoders. To be at Levi J. Yoders' in 2 weeks.

The above mentioned visitors attended church, as well as Dea. Peter D. Zooks, Pre. Andy J. Millers, Emery J. Weavers and Noah L. Shetlers.

Mrs. Joe Miller was unable to be at home in church today, as she was hospitalized again last week to reconnect her bowel (she had a piece of bowel removed in Oct. and had a temporary outlet since). Doctors also found gallstones, so they removed her gallbladder too. This is her third operation since July. She will be glad when it's over. Address is: Rt. 1, Desboro, Ont. N0H 1K0.

Visitors in the area over last weekend were the Wm. Shetlers of Lucknow, Ont.

Pre. Dan E. Stutzman and son Eli spent a week in Ohio, coming home Fri. eve.

John N. Stutzmans arrived home from Tenn. and Ky. on the 17th.

Emanuel L. Shetlers lost a good workhorse several days ago from a bowel blockage.

Eli J. Stutzmans lost a steer after dehorning the day before, apparently from excessive bleeding.

David A. Hostetler shipped his old driving horse after finding out he had a small bone broken above the ankle. This is believed to be results from when his team ran head-on into a car earlier this winter. This horse had hit hardest, going up over top, then falling down the side. The windshield was smashed and the top badly buckled down that the car was a write-off. The first while they didn't think the horse was hurt much, but got worse later.

Mrs. Ezra D. Yoder had some excitement yesterday when she met a truck on a real narrow road just north of them with their new horse. Result after getting off the road too far, was a broken singletree.

Our Jan. weather seems very much like March weather. Temp. is mostly in the 20's in morn., up to mid 30's in day. Also a lot more rain in Jan., than snow.

The upcoming wedding of bro. Dan in Medina Co., Ohio on Feb. 8 will help out the bus companies, as quite a few from this area have plans to go.

Noah J. Stutzman

ELMIRA, ONT., CANADA

Jan. 29--Before I begin with the current events, I'd better correct a stale error. When I reported Murray Martin and Karen Weber's wedding, I stated that Aden and Elsie Weber were Karen's parents. It should have said Aden and Edna.

Elmer and Beatrice Frey welcomed their 4th daughter, 6th child to their family on Jan. 11, named Denise Fay. But their joy was short-lived, for she passed away 12 days later on Jan. 23, shortly after surgery on her ailing heart. Her grandparents are Elam Freys and Noah Baumans. Three sisters and two brothers survive, all at home.

The funeral was held at Maple View on Jan. 26. Emerson Bauman and Joseph Weber brought the messages and Roy Ramer from Ind. spoke a short time and had the closing prayer. Allen Fox from Pa. interpreted in sign language for the benefit of Elmer's oldest dau. Sandra who is deaf and 3 other deaf people of the community. Raymond Foxes and Marlin Highs came with Allen Foxes from Pa. Dea. George Brubakers and Walter Horsts from Pa. were also at the funeral.

On Jan. 24 I attended a church service at Montrose in honor of Roy Ramer from Ind. Truman Martins travelled with them. Edgar Bauman had the opening with Roy bringing the main message.

On Dec. 30 Bruce and RuthAnn Martin were blessed with their 2nd child, first son named Bradley John. Grandparents are Vernal Martins and Henry Webers.

Dennis and Doreen Bowman welcomed their first child on Jan. 5 named Krystal Nicole. Her grandparents are Amsey Bowmans and Cleason Baumans.

On Jan. 2 Lorne and Linda Brubacher welcomed their 2nd child, second daughter named Doris. Grandparents are Cleason and Lucinda Brubacher and Melvin and Irene Martin.

Willis and Erma Horst welcomed their first child on Jan. 12 named Randy Michael. Grandparents are Dan Horsts and Aden Freys.

On Jan. 25 Eldon and Lena Martin were blessed with their 6th child, fifth daughter named Darlene. Grandparents are Ervin Martin and Menno Knorrs.

The 1989 statistics for our church group, the Markham Waterloo Mennonite Conference consisting of 10 congregations are as follows: 56 births, 30 girls, 26 boys; 7 deaths; 13 marriages; 47 baptized, 8 received into fellowship from other fellowships with a total approx. membership of 1035. There are 43 widows and 7 widowers in our group. It seems the women outlive the men. In the last 5 years, of the 15 women that died, the average age was 76 years and of the 15 men that died the average age was 68, an 8-year difference. If I'm not mistaken the national average is 77 and 70 respectively with the women having the advantage. In my survey, I omitted all children that died under ten.

Cleon Bauman

NORWICH, ONT., CANADA

Jan. 21--Weather has been quite moderate the last 10 days. Snow is mostly gone.

Dan E. Miller seems real good and working some in the shop again. His son, Emanuel D. Millers from N.Y. were around here since the middle of the week. They want to leave for home tomorrow.

East dale church was at Pre. Dan L. Millers' today and is to be at Levi G. Millers' next time. West dale is to be at Mosie M. Millers' next Sunday.

Sarah, wife of Pre. David A. Troyer and Fannie E. Swartzentruber, left for Union City, Pa. for the wedding on Jan. 23. Leaving for the same place tomorrow are Atlee Shetlers and Eli Swartzentrubers.

David D. Millers are the parents of a baby girl.

Dan D. Millers (newlyweds) have moved in from N.Y. to Dan E. Millers' in the dody house. Jonas J. Miller

NEWTON, ONT., CANADA

Jan. 24--Jan. has been mild. Rained today. Fields are looking bare.

Lloyd Kuepfer is home from the hospital after his surgery. He was very sick for a few days. First they thought he had a heart attack the day of his gallstone surgery, but later thought it was muscle spasms. He spent a few days in intensive care. After he was back in his room again he had too much company one day, which gave him another setback. Now he is doing well and gaining strength each day.

26 women attended our Jan. sewing circle. Margaret Schneider also attended. Mrs. Lorne Sarah Kuepfer replaced Melinda Kuepfer whose 2 years were up. Sarah will help her dau. Marlene in the buying of materials. The girls had 2 sewings in Jan., at Laura Carter's and Wesley and Sally Kuepfer's.

Mrs. Allen Streicher

AYLMER, ONT., CANADA

Jan. 29--Bish. Ben and Mary Wagler of Daviess were visitors in church at Clayton Zehrs'. They came to be with their dau. Ida (Omar Eichers) who is in the hospital. Ida has been quite sick the past week and had surgery and blood transfusions. She is out of ICU now but still on antibiotics. Their 10-day old baby girl is being cared for by Edwin Waglers and Simon Waglers. Little Esther has 6 sisters and 2 brothers and was born Jan. 15.

Recently when I was in the hospital I signed a consent (before the surgery) that I do not accept blood transfusions. Soon my doctor came in to find out why I did that because if I sign something like that the anesthetist refuses to put me to sleep. So I had no choice but "take it back." As it turned out I didn't need any then. But a nurse reassured me that all these AIDS stories come from the States. She said the danger is a lot less in Canada because all donors are screened. I've been a donor so I know what that screening involves. They ask a lot of questions and trust everyone will answer them honestly. Some people believe they test our blood before transfusions to see if it carries AIDS but I am skeptical that they have found a way to make a sure test or we wouldn't hear of more and more cases where AIDS was received through transfusions.

Yesterday Anna Stoll had her 78th birthday. She is planning to leave on Fri. of this week with her daus. Esther and Sarah (John Martins) for Dixon, Mo. by Greyhound. From Dixon they will continue on to Texas by bus and from there via Calvin Miller's van to Belize to visit her sister Mary and Albert Stolls.

This week Alva Stoll wants to go to Del. to bring home his wife and dau. who have been in the parental home helping care for them. Ike Stoltzfuses are going along to visit family in Pa.

Polly Anna Stoll

Aylmer, Ont., Canada

In memory of our departed husband and father, who left us Feb. 15, 1982.

When I am dead,
Cry for me a little;
Think of me sometimes,
But not too much.
It is not good for you,
Or the children,
To allow your thoughts,
To dwell too long on the dead.
Think of me now and again,
As I was in life;
At some moment
That's pleasant to recall,
But not for long.
Leave me in peace,
As I shall leave, you too, in peace.
While you live,
Let your thoughts be with the living.

-Missed by Wife, Son and Daughter

WATERLOO, ONT., CAN.

Martins

Jan. 29--We are having spring-like weather. Our Jan. thaw lasted nearly all through the month.

Last week we did our yearly butchering and so our can shelves are full again. Two years ago when we had thieves in one Sun. while we were away. The first I noticed was that 3 doz. eggs were missing. I decided to keep it to myself for the time being. A few days later Josephs reported a small box of change missing, as well as some things from the freezer. I checked further and our canned meat was gone. We never locked our doors when going away, but since that we do.

We had Martins church yesterday where Peter Brubacher and Paul Martin preached. Peter and Seranus G. gave testimony.

We made a call with Henry Weber Sr. and Jrs. Henry Sr. did not know us anymore, being the first time he did not know Aaron. He gave his age correctly when we asked him. He will soon be 88.

We had something special happen on Fri., Jan. 26 when Mary Ann Gingrich became 100 yrs. old. She is, of course, our oldest church member. Her mind is clear, but she can't get around anymore. She has diabetes and frequent sores around her toes. She has been in a home for the aged for 10½ years. She has two step-children, 11 grandchildren and one great-great.

Enos Gingrich had been 99 since Aug. and on Jan. 14, the day Esther Sittler turned 99, Enos died.

The 12-day-old dau. of Elmer and Beatrice Frey died of heart failure and was buried on Friday. Noah Baumans and Elam Freys are grandparents. While doing surgery the doctors came out to talk with Elmers, saying even if they operate she will have to be on life-support. So Elmers gave consent to leave her go. She lived about one hour yet.

Recently a meeting was held here in the city showing future plans for our farm. Union St. is to cross over one way and then the other, going just behind the driving shed out to the corner where the Snyders used to farm. This gives us plenty to think about. The farm was sold to developers, or anyway to "middle men", two years ago till June. This street is heavily travelled and would be a way to re-route traffic. Josephs bought a farm about 5 miles up the road, so they are safe once there is too much action around here, but we do not expect it for several years. We, ourselves, have no plans yet where we would go. Our farm has been within the city corporation for about 16 years, and building is coming ever closer.

Aaron and Barbara Weber

AYLMER, ONT., CAN.

Jan. 29--Churches yesterday were held at Clayton Zehrs' and Harold Stolls'.

Abram Derksons and Henry Wagler from Gorrie, Ont. visited a few days in the area last week.

Ike Stoltzfuses, Chriss Stolls and Robert Alexander attended some kind of an organic convention in Grand Rapids, Michigan, being gone a couple days.

Mrs. Omar Eicher was taken to the hospital by ambulance on the 25th due to complications. She had surgery that evening yet and was in I.C.U. She expects to come home in a few days. Their baby, Esther, 10 days old, is being cared for at Edwin Waglers'. With 7 girls and 2 boys (oldest is 13) there's plenty to keep Regina Wagler, the hired girl, busy! Their address: Omar Eicher, Rt. 4, Aylmer, Ont., Can. N5H 2R3.

Bish. Ben Waglers from Montgomery, Ind. arrived Sat. to visit their daus., the Omar Eichers and Edwin Waglers.

Ammon Miller is laid up with backache and was unable to attend services yesterday.

The John Martin family, Mrs. Anna Stoll and dau. Esther are eagerly preparing to leave on Fri., Feb. 2 for Belize. They plan to go via Greyhound till Texas where they'll meet Calvin and Ada Miller and travel on with them. They expect to be gone for 4 weeks. Philip Stoll will be responsible for the chores, etc.

The flu bug made some hard hits. Thankfully the measles epidemic stayed out.

Some 4-week German classes expect to start on Feb. 5th, 3½ days per week. Girls' class will be at Mervin Miller's basement with Naomi teaching. The boys' class across the road at Ezra Waglers' with Ezra as teacher.

Harvey Wengerds opened their doors for sign language classes every Sat. afternoon with Ike Stoltzfus' girls teaching. This makes it easier to communicate with Katie Stoltzfus, 18, who lost her hearing from having spinal meningitis when only 9 months old. The substitute for Harold Stolls.

MILLBANK, ONT., CAN.

Cedar Grove A.M. Church

Jan. 26--Cold, windy weather after rain and 40° temp. yesterday. Some of our snow has disappeared and fields are bare.

Allan and Clara Kuepfer quietly celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary Sat., Jan. 20th with their children at home.

Friends and relatives remembered Eli Kuepfer with a card shower. It was his 90th birthday. Eli is able to attend church services, although he somewhat depends on a walker. Former resident of Milverton, he now resides in a home for the aged, Country Meadows 2, Brunner, Ont.

Ben and Marion Kuepfer and Joe and Esther Gerber are escaping the winter weather. Jan. 25th they motored to the sunny south, Florida.

Tues. eve. was bandage ripping for the youth in the writer's basement. This is a church project. Donated motel sheets and pillowcases are used. The sheets are sorted and if still good enough they are cut into smaller sheets and hemmed. The boys rip the bandages and the girls sew. After the bandages are sewn, we give them to my uncle Emmanuel Gerber who enjoys rolling the bandages into rolls. Later they are sent to needy countries.

Larry Kuepfer, John and Jeneve Wagler and baby Kristine, Jean Jantzi, Judith Kuepfer, Mary Ellen Kuepfer and Peter Gerber travelled to Hillcrest Home, Ark. Bernice Kuepfer, who worked a one-year term of V.S., will be coming home with them.

Recent visitors at Mahlon and Sadie Jantzi's were Henry and Elizabeth Yoder and Andy and Ruth Nafziger from Bally, Pa. The Nafzigers had come to visit their Uncle Rudy of New Hamburg, Ont. and Valentine of Millbank, Ont.

Mary Ellen Gerber

MILVERTON, ONT., CANADA

Jan. 30--After the cold Dec. we had it seems easy to take this mild weather. There was hardly any snow left on the ground till yesterday it snowed again. Last Thursday there was a very strong wind. In Rostock the feed mill burned down, so it made it hard for the firemen to keep the nearby buildings from burning. There were pieces of burning shingles, etc. blown about a mile away.

On Sun. church services in Southwest dist. were held at the writer's home by Peter Kuepfer and John Jantzi. Middle dist. was at Ervin Albrechts'.

On Sat. Israel, Chris and Jonathan Kuepfers and Ammon Schmidts went to the Gorrie area to visit Gid Waglers.

Sol Albrecht is home again after having a hernia operation in Stratford hospital.

David K. Kuepfer

MOSSLEY, ONT., CANADA

Jan. 28--Mild weather lately with some strong winds at times. Thur. night we had a real strong wind. Did a bit of minor damage locally. Toby Kauffman's outhouse blew over. Jonas Hershberger's hat flew off and hasn't come back yet.

Our snow is mostly all gone. Had several rains since New Year's which helped take it away. Seems like March weather this month.

E. gma was at Wm. W.B. Jrs'. today and is bestellt there again in 2 weeks. Pre. and Mrs. John Henry Coblentz from Lakeside were at Chris Borntragers' last night and had intended to be in church today. Then this morn. she had gone upstairs for something and on coming down she made a misstep and fell down the stairs, breaking her leg, so they ended up going to the hospital instead of church.

Last Sun. a herd of 20 deer were seen north of Levi Millers which is quite unusual for this area to see that many.

A local non-Amish boy was found hanging from a bridge somewhere in Detroit. It was apparently suicide, but some thought it looked quite suspicious.

Toby Kauffmans have an appointment to take their baby to the Children's hospital in London for surgery on the back of his head on Feb. 13th.

To Elmer Kuepfer, maybe the answer to your question is "ehrerbietig" or "ehr."

Levi Millers had a cow get down on the ice Sat. morn. so they had to butcher her.

Clemens Borntreger

DUNSTER, B.C. CANADA

Jan. 23--Weather continues mild with occasional snow fall.

Those from McBride who attended the school meeting at Vanderhoof were Richard and Beth Zimmerman, Merlin Huber, Ruth Miller, Harry, Thelma and Karen Baer.

Brian Maldaner brought Margaret Schapansky along and attended the meeting returning to McBride for Sunday. They stayed in the Clarence Miller home and also visited Dale Steiners.

Evan and Ruth Miller are leaving tomorrow to fly to Wis. where they will go with some from there to Penna. to Bible School at the Royers Church.

Agnes Fehr has gone to Duchess to help in the Neil Baer home for a few weeks.

Margaret Eva Dick is staying with Pete Baers' children while Pete and Evelyn are gone to the Philippines with John Pletts.

Joseph Miller, Edwin Steiner and some of the Fehr girls plan to attend Bible School at Carbon Hill, Ohio.

This is the time of year we must be on the lookout for moose on the highway.

Jake Birky hit a moose with his logging truck which killed the moose and caused some damage to the truck.

Harry Baer

BAY TREE, ALBERTA CANADA

Jan. 28--Frigid temperatures (-10° F) are keeping us all inside as much as possible the last week. We are finally getting the deep snows we have lacked all winter.

The Paul Hofer family from Stirling spent last weekend here and Paul preached for us on Sunday. They went on to Ft. Nelson to visit their daughter Barbara and family (the David Peacheys) before returning home.

The young people went out for a pizza supper together while Paul's young folks were here to join them. They have been doing some skating as well.

My dad went to the school pond with his tractor and blade to clean off the ice for the school children to skate. Unfortunately, the ice was weak in one place and the tractor broke through and became partially submerged. It took a truck and winch to lift it out again. Dad discovered it was a costly mistake when he took the tractor in for repairs after the accident.

My sister Twila has begun her RN training this month at the small local college in Dawson Creek.

Joel and Lorna Martin from Stirling spent last weekend with his parents, the Lester Martins, as he was doing a hauling job in this area.

I spent the last three Saturdays attending a preparation course in Grande Prairie for prospective adoptive parents of special needs children. There is a lot to learn: this kind of challenge is a serious responsibility. During some of the sessions, parents who have already adopted special needs children came in to tell us about the problems and also the joys they have experienced in adopting older, abused, handicapped, or biracial children.

Carol Peachey

NORWICH, ONT., CANADA

Feb. 5--Weather has been on the colder side with several inches of snow, after several weeks of spring-like weather. Good sleigh riding on the road the last few days.

East dale church was at Levi G. Millers' yesterday and is to be at Gideon L. Millers' in two weeks. West dale is to be at Jacob Bylers' next Sunday. Still no measles in our area.

Strangers in church yesterday were Pre. Henry L. Millers and Eddie W. Shetlers from Lucknow.

Old Dan Stutzman is holding his own and still gets around in the house but does not walk to the barn since it is cold.

Dan E. Miller has been working some in his window shop since his heart operation and seems real spry.

Jonas J. Miller

LINWOOD, ONT., CANADA

Feb. 5--Jan. was not as cold as normal, having had several Jan. thaws. But always, before we lost all our snow, we would get a nice fresh coat, so we haven't been without snow sincce mid-November.

Church yesterday was at Chris Albrechts'. Sermons were by Sam Jantzi and Eli Kuepfer, text by Lloyd Kuepfer.

Murray, 8-year-old son of Peter and Laurene Kuepfer, was called to rest Feb. 2, after a 4½ yr. battle with leukemia. In that time, there was a period of about 2 yrs. when he was fairly well and he had attended school for awhile. But it is over one year ago that he started a relapse and since then spent much time in London in the hospital but after they said they could do no more for him there, he spent the last few months at home.

Also surviving are 2 younger brothers and 1 little sister. Grandparents are Aaron and Muriel Kuepfer and Mrs. Lena Kueper, widow of Amos Kuepfer, who died in 1974. Murray's funeral is to be this afternoon.

Grandson Levi Albrecht (Allans) spent 2 days in Listowel hospital last week. He had been sick a few days, then developed severe pains in his stomach or bowel area. Doctors did not find anything serious and he soon felt better and is home again. Judy Jantzi (Solomons) is again in Toronto in Sick Children's Hospital, having been at home since before Christmas.

Martha, widow of John Z. Kuepfer (Judy's grandmother) plans to move out of Millbank into a trailer home. She is moving to Solomons this week.

Elmer Kuepfer

MILVERTON, ONT., CANADA

Milverton Conservative Mennonite

Jan. 20--We are enjoying our winter Bible School with the Brookside congregation.

Bro. Dan Gaschos returned home from Guatemala on Jan. 19. They, with their daughter Eunice were serving there for a 1½ mo. trm. Bro. Ralph Gerber was in Guat. from Jan. 10-15 to help. Bro. Dallas Witmer became established in the work.

Darren Cook enjoyed 1 week of Winter Bible School in Carbon Hill, Ohio first term. He plans to move to Ohio to help in William McGraths print shop.

Alice Marie Gascho is in the Stratford Hospital to get her medication adjusted.

David Zehrs took Allen Gaschos to Maryland for the Jan. 21 weekend to see their new nephew and grandson at Ron and Betty Gaschos. S. Gerber

PETERSBURG, ONT., CAN.

New Hamburg Conservative Church

Feb. 8--Our Winter Bible School had its final session at New Hamburg on Feb. 7 with Abner Gingerich being the speaker.

Roland, Dean and Charlotte Good have returned from Carbon Hill where they attended Bible School for the second term.

Arnold Good is back in the schoolroom again having taught at Carbon Hill for three weeks. His wife Carol was privileged to spend the final week there too, also little David, aged 2.

Paul and Nathan Hartzler from Kentucky spend a weekend recently at Arnold Goods'. They enjoyed ice skating, a new experience for them.

Ellen Eby recently entertained some friends at a quilting in her apartment in the Senior Village at Nithview Home in New Hamburg. Owing to limited space, some could attend on Mon. and others on Tuesday. The quilt, a broken star pattern, was completed on Sat.

Merlin Bender and James Martin have returned from a recent trip to India to visit the believers there.

On Sun., Feb. 4 various ones from New Hamburg Cong. met at Meadow Craft Place in Kitchener to sing for the guests there. This is a project that includes entire families and is much appreciated.

Mrs. Marvin Good had the misfortune recently of twisting her knee when she stepped out of the car and tore a ligament which is very painful.

Our pastor, Timothy Martin and wife Anna Mary, have welcomed a new member into their family named Jesse Quinton. He has 2 sisters and 3 brothers.

Aaron & Mary Good

ST. MARY'S, ONT., CAN.

Lakeside District

Feb. 5--A nice amount of snow again.

Church yest. at Yost Yoders'; to be at Enos Yoders' in 2 weeks.

Mose Hostetler from Path Valley was the only visitor and missing were Jonas Hertzlers who are still in the States and Mrs. John Henry Coblentz, sis. Clara and dau. Lydiann.

Mose Hostetler came to the Jonas Hertzler place Jan. 27 and left this morning with Yost and Enos Yoder and Noah Hertzler for the Columbus, Oh. horse sale. Berry Gillard, with his horse trailer and a 2-seater pickup is taking a horse down for Yost and Enos. Elmer Hertzler and Rueben Graber are doing chores while they are gone.

Henry Troyer, wife and baby Linda are leaving today for the horse sale with a couple from Harrington as driver. Henrys plan to make a few stops in Oh. and Ind. before coming home. Levi B. Troyer, the grandfather, will stay with their school children and little Martha will stay with Eli Petersheims.

Last Wed. evening Mrs. Ella Swarey, Susie and Ella and Ab Kauffman family from Mt. Elgin and Yost Yoders and family had supper with Eli Petersheims.

Jake Hertzler (Amos) and wife from New York made a stop with Jonas Hertzler family last Wed. night and Thurs.

Last Sat., Jan. 27, John Henry Coblentz and wife went to Mt. Elgin with plans to be there in church on Sun. Plans can soon be changed. They were with Chris Borntrager family for the night. Sun. morning before breakfast John Henry Anna went back upstairs to get a handerchief, taking Chris, 6-mo.-old baby along. Coming down she made a miss-step on one of the top-most steps and fell the full length, still holding the baby who wasn't hurt. Anna has a bruised elbow and sore back and a broken right leg.

John Muir was called, who came and brought them up to St. Mary's hosp. where X-rays were taken. Seeing that surgery has to be done they sent them to Stratford hosp. by ambulance. By 3 o'clock they did surgery, putting in a plate and a splint on her leg which she still has. She's to get a cast as soon as swelling goes down.

She came home on Thurs. She has a wheelchair to get around and also has crutches if she dares to use them. Their callers yest. after church were David Grabers and Rufus Yoders.

William, Clements and Chris Borntragers from Mt. Elgin called at John Henrys' Fri. evening.

Their daus. and husbands, the Peter and Timothy Stolls and Noah Gaschos from Aylmer were up to see their mother in Stratford hosp. last Mon. evening. Her address is Mrs. John Henry Coblentz, Lakeside, Ont. N0M 2G0.

Mrs. Elmer Yoder

MILLBANK, ONT., CAN.

Cedar Grove A.M. Church

Feb. 5--On Sat. we had snow and the countryside has the appearance of winter again.

Traveling to Antrim, Ohio were Larry and Susan Ropp and 2 daus., also Stanley Steckley, Barbara Wagler, Anne Kuepfer and Barbara Lichty. They attended the wedding of Laura Lapp and Ivan Miller.

Teacher Sandra Roes, dau. of Melvin Roes, had a bad fall while skating on the school rink. She has a fractured skull and was in the hospital a few days. Substituting in the classroom was Mrs. Dwight Good for two days and Mrs. Jonathan Stoll plans to teach until Sandra can return to her teaching duties.

Lloyd and Sharon Schmidt, Nelson and Verna Jantzi and 4 daus. are on a ten-day vacation to Fla. They traveled by plane.

Melvin Jantzi, Mervin Wagler, Ohmer and Aaron L. Jantzi traveled out to Winchester, Ont. On their homeward journey they stopped for dinner at Irvin and Erma Horst, Athens, Ont., on Jan. 23.

Visiting Murray and Vernon Jantzis up north at Warren, Ont., on the Jan. 28 weekend, were Steven Jantzi, Harold and Ronald Jantzi, Keith and Kevin Gerber, Sandra and Anita Kuepfer. They have deep snow up north, but very seldom high winds.

Traveling by bus were Katie Steckley (Mrs. Vernon Jantzi's mother), Ella Mae Wagler, Laura Carter, Geoffrey Gerber and Gordon Erb went to visit Murray and Vernon Jantzis on Feb. 4 weekend. The boys were interested in ice fishing.

Nick and Emma Gerber, Ivan and Marie Jantzi are on a 3-week trip to Florida.

Today was Murray Kuepfer's funeral, 8-year-old son of Peter and Laureen Kuepfer. His parents faithfully cared for him at home the last few months of his life. He attended our school Cedar Grove Christian Day School. My niece, Pauline Nafziger, was his teacher. He was only able to attend school approx. the first 5 months in Grade 1. After that time he spent much time in the hospital.

Mary Ellen Gerber

LINWOOD, ONT., CANADA

Feb. 12--We are having our March weather a month early. Fields are mostly bare except fence rows, but still lots of snow in the bush.

Solomon Jantzis' Judy was only in the hospital for a few days last time. She is home again and attending school. Her little brother Terry was also in the hospital a few days with pneumonia.

Ezra Jantzis' Murray is to go to hospital this week for an ear operation.

Peter Kuepfers' Murray's funeral last Monday was largely attended, including some folks from Lucknow and Aylmer areas. Sermons were by Peter Kuepfer and by Bishop Elmo Stoll of Aylmer. Leid was read by Eldon Albrecht. At the graveyard Ezra Albrecht's horse became untied and made it across the busy Millbank Crosshill Rd. It didn't know the way home and was caught about 4 miles later, heading toward Linwood with not much damage done.

Mom's cough is better but she is not entirely rid of it yet.

Elmer Kuepfer

DESBORO, ONT., CANADA

Feb. 11--East church was held at Levi J. Yoder's today. To be at Ezra J. Masts' in 2 weeks.

Strangers were the Mosie S. Shetlers of Medina Co., Ohio, who want to start home tomorrow. Enos E. Mast is also leaving for Ohio with them. He is selling his horse, buggy, cutter, etc. and is moving down.

The writers and bro. Joe came home from Medina Co., Ohio, yesterday after attending the wedding of bro. Dan at Harvey N. Hostetlers' on Thur. We came back to a cold wind and frozen ground, with still a few patches of old snow. Temp. this morn. was 22° and we had a few snowflakes. This is a lot nicer than all the mud we saw in Ohio.

Others from this area attending the Ohio wedding were John N. Stutzmans and dau. Anna, Menno J. S.'s, Eli J. St.'s, John C. St.'s, Noah and Jonas N. Stutzman. Andy D. Stutzman was also in Wayne co.

On Tue. Andy A. Yoders will be leaving for the auction sale at his parrent's in Medina Co. (the Andy P. Yoders), plus some visiting with relatives and family members. Emery J. Weaver will be leaving Tue. for Wayne Co., Ohio to attend his youngest step-brother's wedding (Mosie) on Thur. and will return again by Sat.

Pre. Andy A. Schrocks left Fri. for Medina Co. to attend a wedding at Jonas A. Hershbergers'.

The 1½-year-old dau. of Noah L. Shetlers was in Owen Sound hospital for 3 days with severe croup. Mrs. Joe A. Miller was released a week ago Fri. and is gaining. Mrs. Levi J.H. Stutzman was released same day, but is gaining slowly. She seems to have some kind of infection in her blood.

Bro. Dans have plans to come to this area by mid-March, where he'll be running a sawmill.

Noah Stutzman

AYLMER, ONT., CANADA

East District

Feb. 12--We are having mild weather at present, just right for cooking maple syrup, but too early according to the calendar. We cooked down 30 gallons sap on top of our Pioneer Maid and received 6 pints of syrup in two days' time.

Our district church services were held at Joe Zehrs' on Sun. with a lot attending from neighboring districts. To be at Lewis Swartzentrubers', Feb. 25. West district had services at Noah Gaschos'. Visitors attending were Min. John Millers and daus. Luella and Rosanna of Mio, Mich., Dea. Abe Millers of Butler, Ohio and Harvey and Barbara Miller of Hale, Michigan.

South dist. had special church services this morning at Ervin Hochstetlers' for the visiting ministers before they started homeward.

David Wagler of Bloomfield, Ia. was released from the hospital in Woodstock on Friday and is recuperating here at his dau., Joe Gaschos'. He had knee replacement surgery, but it didn't turn out as planned. The drs. found a malignant tumor attached to his knee and partly grown into the bone. They discovered it wasn't so much the knee joint at all that bothered him to walk. He had problems with it for 7 years already. He now has an appt. the 20th to amputate his leg above the knee in hopes to keep the disease from spreading elsewhere. The strange part of it is, it didn't show up in the x-rays at all. He did have his knee replaced and doesn't have much pain. I'm sure mail would be greatly appreciated for him and his wife Ida Mae. Address is: David Waglers, c/o Joe Gaschos, Rt. 4, Aylmer, Ont., Can. N5H 2R3. He is 68 years old and a Budget scribe from his home community.

John Streichers had a mishap on the way home from the singing at Joe Zehrs' last night. They were travelling with two buggies when the one behind lost control of his horse and somehow hit the first buggy's wheel. The one behind (open buggy) upset and the occupants landed on the road. Three of the children were hospitalized for awhile. Don't have more details.

On Thurs. our dist. men fixed the church benches at Abner Eichers'. Also put a new roof on the bench wagon. It was leaking badly from its tumble it received awhile back in a windstorm.

The Harold Stoll Family

DAWSON CREEK, B.C. CANADA

Feb. 5--We had a cold spell for a week. One morning it was 40° below zero. Then it got a little milder, 30 to 20° below. We are prepared for the cold weather. We also have lots of snow. Snows some every week.

We have been having young lambs now. They are all in the barn and watched day and night. The men stay overnight in a cabin, near the barn. Also have their meals there. It's a mile from our place. Two or 3 men are always there.

They filled the contract for logging for the Louisiana Pacific for awhile. They have 2 shifts going day and night.

I can't remember when we had measles or chicken pox last. Must be over 30 years ago. We start giving our children shots when they are 3 or 4 months old for all sickness. When 15 years old, they get the last one. Then they finish school and start working with the men and women. The girls start cooking and baking when 17 years old. Mrs. Mary P. Hofer

FULLARTON, ONT., CAN.

Feb. 5--The snow which slowly melted away during January is starting to accumulate again.

Chris arrived home on Wed., Jan. 17 from attending her niece's funeral in Saskatchewan. Somehow I miscalculated and arrived at the Toronto airport an hour late to meet her, which was O.K. since the plane was running an hour late. The drive home went pretty smooth until Kitchener, which is about the half-way point. From there on we drove in a thick blanket of fog where I could only see the road a few feet ahead of the car, and often couldn't see the right hand side of the road.

On Fri., Jan. 19 a baptismal service was held at Linwood, Ont. for Peter and Doreen Briant and Edgar and Lena Bauman. These are the first members in that area.

Revival meetings began here on Sunday, Jan. 21, with Don Gable of Ithaca, Michigan and Earvey Ensz of Almena, Wisc. as evangelists. The meetings came to a conclusion last Fri. eve. with the observance of feet washing and communion.

Visitors in our congregation this past weekend have been the Jesse Kanagys of McVeytown, Penn. and the Paul Regehrs of Swanson, Sask.

There are 4 single young brethren from congregations in Manitoba and Saskatchewan employed on a building project at Collingwood, Ont. at present. They have been faithfully attending worship services either here or at Linwood. Yesterday a carload of young brethren from here made the 200 km trip to Collingwood to worship together up there.

Robert Toews left this morning for Nigeria. Rob and two ministers from the U.S. were elected last year at annual meeting to meet with the ministers and church leaders in some of the older mission fields of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite and report back to this year's annual meeting. The question is how the indigenous churches in different countries, which no longer need the tutelage of the Mission Board, can be better integrated with and contribute to the overall work of the Kingdom. This year annual meeting is to be held at the Greenland congregation in Manitoba on March 15 & 16.

Our daughter Michelle was airborne this morning also. She left for Jamaica to visit Virgil and Delma Wiebe, who are missionaries there. Bob Goodnough

AYLMER, ONT., CANADA

Feb. 5-10--On Sunday around noon Alva Stolls took their 13-year-old dau. Anna to the hospital where she had an appendectomy. This is their fourth child who had it. One of their boys said by now if someone's tummy aches, the first thing their mother does is check to see if they already have a scar. Bertha and dau. Ruth just came home the day before from Del. where they had been caring for her mother who broke her hip. While they were gone Alva and the children had the flu. So Bertha's nursing skills are needed on all sides.

Last summer while making hay or threshing, Clayton Zehr lost his watch. Now just recently after he had unloaded manure he looked back into the spreader and there on the floor was his watch. And it was still ticking faithfully on, only it was an hour fast. But that wasn't the watch's fault. We turned ours back an hour in Oct.

We are having German school for a few weeks for the 16-18 year olds. The girls are being taught by Mervin and Naomi Miller in their basement and the boys are taught by Peter Stoll in Stephen Jantzi's shop.

Gerald Hochstetlers and 4 children and Ervin Millers traveled to Ind. for Orva A. Miller's funeral which was Ruth Ann's uncle by marriage.

Ben Waglers of Daviess left for home on Monday after being with Omar Eichers nine days. Omar Ida is improving. Ben and Mary were both sick while here that they needed to see a doctor.

Mrs. John Gascho is laid up with a painful back. Dave Waglers are here from Bloomfield and his knee replacement has been done. He goes through a lot of pain, trying to stretch the atrophied muscles and tendons. A machine bends the knee back and forth day and night. My info isn't too direct so I hope Dave will give us a complete report on it once he feels better.

Polly Anna Stoll

CHESLEY, ONTARIO
CANADA

Feb. 14--We were having mild weather until yesterday afternoon the wind turned N.W. and brought us a nice blanket of snow.

Verna, dau. of Noah L. Shetlers, had the flu to the extent that she was taken to Owen Sound Hospital. Mattie, wife of Levi J. Stutzman, also spent several days in a hospital after it got into her blood stream.

Recent visitors were Eli E. Millers and their son-in-law Jacob Hertzlers from Conewango, N.Y. settlement. Jacob had his tonsils removed in Hanover. It was a pleasant surprise to have them for supper.

Neighbor, Mrs. Joe J. Stutzman, has a bad dose of disc problems. She spent a lot of time in bed while Joe was to Ohio to his bro. Dan's wedding and also to Scottsville, Ky. to visit their grandfather, Noah J. Stutzman. He has recovered from his stroke well enough that he can walk outside with the aid of a walker. He stays in his own house. His meals are brought to him.

Others going to Ohio and Ky. were Menno and John Jr. Stutzman. Bro. Johns and their Noahs had only gone to Ohio for the wedding.

Pre. Andy A. Schrocks and dau. Delila are also in Ohio at present where they intended to take in the wedding at Jonas A. Hershbergers'.

To Rudy Yoder of Heuvelton, N.Y., yes, I also feel its to bad that a lot of our home remedies are lost. It is too easy to just go to the doctor and get some pills, etc.

One of the most simple and proven remedies for upset stomach or appendicitis is to go out to the hay mow and gather a hand-full of timothy heads and make a tea from this and slowly sip 2 cups full. You will be surprised how soon you will feel better.

We have used this remedy often on one of ours who complains of appendix symptoms. He has not been to a doctor yet. Maybe the next time this will not work, but will not cost anything to try.

Noah Stutzman

NEWTON, ONT., CANADA

Feb. 13--Very little snow. Weather is more like March than Feb.

John and Elizabeth Drudge and 3 sons, attended our church recently. They had the Ben Steckly family as their dinner guests that day.

Sam Steckly and Harold Kuepfer are on 25 day tour of Australia. They left Feb. 2.

Katie Steckly, Ella Mae Wagler, Laura Carter, Jeffery Gerber and Gordon Erb travelled by bus to Warren, Ont. They spent the weekend with Murray and Vernon Jantzis.

The young married and the young people had a singing Feb. 3 at the home of Dennis and Josephine Kuepfer.

Ken and Freida Kuepfer, Edgar and Edith Wagler, Paul and Emmaline Streicher took Brian and Aaron Schweitzer to North Bay to visit Loretta Schweitzer. Loretta is attending teachers' college there.

Mary Edith Streicher is having a painful experience with a carbuncle at the end of her tailbone. They lanced it at the doctor's office.

Mrs. Allan Streicher

LINWOOD, ONT., CAN.

Feb. 19--We're back into winter cold and snow, which means normal February weather in this part of God's country.

Church yesterday was at Joe Kipfers'. Sermons were by Bishops Joe Kuepfer and Joe K. Jantzi, text by Lloyd Kuepfer.

In the "what's new" news, it is a little boy, named James, at Harvey Kuepfers'. A little girl at Kenneth Jantzis'.

Menno and Aaron Albrecht had a runaway with team and wagon. Menno was dragged along until things settled down again, but came through with nothing worse than a sore arm.

A van load from this area attended the Hershberger auction in Mt. Elgin district last Tuesday. On Sat. Elmer Ropp, with Amos Gascho's van, had a load to St. Mary's - Lakeside dist. to Melvin Albrechts and John Henry Coblentzes'. They were Davids and Ervin Albrechts, Aaron Waglers, and Mrs. Chris Albrecht & the writer's wife. Elmer Kuepfer

MILVERTON, ONTARIO, CANADA

Feb. 12--Very mild weather for Feb. If we wouldn't see the date on the calendar we'd think it's high time to be tapping the trees, and if we don't get more snow we'll be working in mud to start the season, as the only place there is any snow is where there were drifts before.

Yesterday church services in southwest dist. were held at Reuben S. Kuepfers, by Bish. Rufus Kuepfer and Eli Kuepfer. David Grabers and Melvin Albrechts from Lakeside were in this area for the weekend and had parts in the church services in Middle dist. at Ervin Albrechts'. They left for home early this morning.

Bishop Levi Streicher was not able to attend church yesterday as he had a growth removed from his leg last week. He is now able to walk without his crutches. His wife Catherine is also not able to do much, as she is to stay off her feet as much as possible in order to heal a sore spot on her leg.

John Ebersol got off to a bad start in the 90's as he had a finger taken off by the feed mixer, then that was just nicely healing when he slipped and fell on the ice with the gas lantern, and cut his hands and broke a bone in his leg so I guess he is on vacation but likely isn't enjoying it very much.

Ammon and Laura Kuepfer have a baby girl born on Feb. 6. Mrs. Katie Kuepfer and Elmer and Katie Kuepfer are grandparents. David K. Kuepfer

LUCKNOW, ONTARIO CANADA

Feb. 12--Weather is nice and mild. Snow is all gone except for some drifts yet.

Church was at John J. Shetlers' (Dads) last Sun. in S. dist. Strangers attending were Jonathan and Lovina J. Byler (Dan's bro. and sis.) of Mich. (they were helping us for 2 weeks) and Eli E. Millers and Jacob A. Hertzlers and baby of New York. They had plans to go to Hanover where Jacobs wanted to have his tonsils taken out.

Edward W. Shetlers and 2 children and Henry L. Millers and 2 children were in Norwich over the weekend.

Church was at Noah D. Stutzmans' in N. Dist. on Sunday.

A dau. named Sarah was born to Dan E. Swartzentrubers on Jan. 23. Grandparents are Mose D. Shetlers of here and Eli E. Swartzentrubers of Norwich. Mattie M. Shetler is their maud.

Twin boys were born to Levi A. Yoders' on Jan. 31 named Aden and Andy. Aden weighed 7 lbs. 1 oz. and died Feb. 2 of heart problems. Andy weighed 3 lbs. 9 oz and came home from the hospital Feb. 9 and is doing well. Grandparents are Andy B. Yoders and Noah D. Stutzmans. Alma J. Shetler is their maud. Levis' address is: Rt. 3, Lucknow, Ont. N0G-2H0.

A son named Levi was born to Menno L. Millers on Jan. 31. Grandparents are Levi A. Millers and Levi J. Millers. Barbara L. Miller is their maud.

Dan and Mary Byler

MOSSLEY, ONT., CANADA

Feb. 11--E. gma was at Wm. W. B. Jrs'. today and is bestellt at Enos Yoders' in 2 weeks.

Last Sun. W. gma was at Levi Millers' for their Davids. Strangers attending were Ezra Millers and her mother, Mrs. Clara Borntrager from Medford, Wis. Mrs. Borntreger came to have a hip replacement in Woodstock which they did on Tues. and by Friday they released her out of the hospital so she and Ezras are staying in the dody house at David H's. The wife and I were there this p.m. and she was on the rocking chair and in good spirits without any pain. She gets around with a walker.

David Wagler of Bloomfield, Ia. was also in the Woodstock Hospital and a knee replacement the same day and was also released the same day. They found a lump in his leg and he is scheduled to go in tomorrow for a bone scan.

David Kauffmans were in Marlette from Feb. 2 to 9. Son Dannie and dau. Lydia helped with their chores.

A few weeks ago Toby Kauffmans were in Marlette for about a week. Harvey S.B. was helping with their chores and one morn. he was coming home in the fog when at the corner of Crampton a car almost hit his horse, resulting in a few scratches on the car.

Mon. morn. - We are having March-like weather the last few weeks. The last 2 mornings were around 20° and warmed up with a bright sun.

It is quite early yet for maple season, but I tapped our few trees last week, resulting in a few good runs.

Levi Millers were to Lakeside yest. to visit Mrs. John Henry Coblentz. Several others were also there in the past 2 weeks. She came home from the hospital on Wed., the 31st, and has to go back in 2 wks. to put a cast on. They had put pins in, but was too swollen to put a cast on right away.

Jonas Hershbergers are having sale tomorrow, the 13th, and want to leave next wk. for Edgewood, Ia. to make that their home.

Clemens Borntreger

MILVERTON, ONT., CAN.

Milverton Conservative Mennonite Church

Feb. 27--We are enjoying clear, cold winter weather presently.

Several of our young people attended 3rd term Bible School at Carbon Hill, Ohio. Lowell Biehn, Valarie Gascho, Yvonne Zehr and Charlotte Gascho, who is staying 4th term as well. There are 11 others with her this term, including David, Eugene, Philip, Elizabeth, Anne Marie Gascho, Teresa Gerber, Nancy Lichti, Mary and Leland Biehn and Jonathan Huber.

Ralph and Katie Gerber, with Enos Huber, travelled to Indiana on Fri., Feb. 23 to serve at Grace Fellowship. On Sat. they travelled on over to Ohio where they were caught in a snowstorm, resulting in the total wreckage of their car. We are grateful to God for their physical well-being, besides minor bumps and aches. They did arrive at the Bible School on Sunday and brought Philip Gascho's car home on Monday.

Mahlon Gerbers took Ralph Gerbers to Kenabeek from Feb. 14-19. Visitors from Kenebeek this month were Leroy Stutzmans, Kenneth Gerbers and Amos Martins. Eldon Weavers from Ohio were also in the area visiting Debbie's parents, Delmar Lichtis.

We were happy to have Kenneth Gerber here to speak on the subject of having a Godly respect for human life.

Joe and Deborah Zehr travelled to New York for a funeral in the family. Joes, cousin Milt Zehr's daughter Anne Marie died suddenly.

Dannie R. Gerber

STIRLING, ALBERTA, CAN.

Sunny weather has once more come to our area, bringing with it an epidemic of spring fever.

Our ministering brethren, Bish. John Hofer and Min. Paul Hofer, their wives, Leila and Wilma and several of the youth, Carol, Michael and Sarah Hofer and Bruce Maldaner spent some time in Ore. where the western fellowship ministers' meeting was held. Carol remained in Ore. to spend some time with her sisters, Christina Kropf and Faye Birky, before flying to Belize for a visit.

Joyce Hofer entertained special company. Tim Eveleth, Ore., trained to Shelby, Mont. to spend the weekend here.

Jesse and Faye Peachey and Lucy and Linda were overnight guests at Jake Hofers' Sun. They were on their way back to Bay Tree, Alberta after attending the ministers' meeting in Ore.

Johnny and Becky drove to Ariz. to make acquaintance with a new granddau. Third child, first girl, Becky Ulrich was born to Ron and Linda. M. Hofer

MILVERTON, ONT., CANADA

Feb. 27--Sunday morning was very cold, some thermometers showed 10° below zero. Church services in Southwest dist. were held at James Ebersoles' by Mahlon Schmidt and Bish. Rufus Kuepfer. Middle dist. was at Allen Jantzis'.

Mrs. Allan (Laura) Kuepfer is in the London Hospital 2 weeks now. Her heart has to work so hard, beings her lung don't work anymore. The doctors would consider doing a lung transplant if they think her heart is strong enough to stand the operation. The way it is now she cannot go without oxygen. She enjoys company and mail. Their home address is: Rt. 1, Milverton, Ont. N0K 1M0.

Reuben S. Kuepfers bought a property at the edge of Milverton recently. David and Joyce Kuepfer have bought the farm where they are living from his father, Isaac Kuepfer.

David K. Kuepfer

WATERLOO, ONT., CANADA

Martins

Feb. 26--We still have not much snow and have had usually mild spells, but at present it is zero, slightly above or below.

A week ago today bro. Urias Weber's wife Lizzie had heart surgery. She had been coming along quite well, but last evening had a spell that she was given oxygen and I.V. again, but soon felt better. She had been promised to go home tomorrow, but this could delay it. She is 59.

A week ago yesterday Osiah and Barbara Martin had been to Martins Church and to Edwin Brubachers' for dinner. This is close to St. Jacobs and they had a ten mile drive home, more or less, in an open carriage. They had a 6 week old baby along and he cried over half way home and became silent. When they reached home the baby had died. The doctor came the next day after an autopsy had been done and reluctantly told them Elias had suffocated but he told the mother not to condemn herself, as it could have happened to anybody. In our open carriages a baby needs to be covered up good, and in all our years we had not heard of it happening this way. If he had not cried so hard there would probably have been enough oxygen.

The funeral was held on Tues. at Winterbourne, with Paul and Daniel Martin having charge. The grandparents of the baby are Mervin and Ada Martin and Onias and Lena Weber.

We were dinner guests at Herman Webers' yesterday. He is taking treatments at present, five in all. Two years ago they removed one kidney plus a tumor. He feels well at present, but earlier this winter a small one was removed from the tube leading to the lung, which leaves him with an annoying cough. He is in his early 60's, a member of the Markham branch.

Norman Bauman of Hawkesville died yesterday. He had a stroke a few weeks ago, with seizures before and after, due to a blood clot on the brain. Drs. had said they could soon take him home but it would mean a 24 hr. vigil, as he was often restless. She was to church yest. and to hospital from there and helped him with his dinner. He wanted back to bed and just rolled in and died suddenly.Funeral is tomorrow at the home and then at Martins'.

Recently David Martin, son of Elo G., was out riding and decided to cross a railway bridge. It seemed alright until he was almost at the other end where the ties were farther apart and the horse got caught by a hind leg when he stepped down between. In struggling he fell over the side and hung there. David went for help but some time elapsed until they got back and the horse was dead. We feel sorry for David, but we hope others may take a lesson from this. This railway is not used anymore and some bridges have been torn out to prevent such things from happening. Aaron & Barbara Weber

CHESLEY, ONT., CANADA

March 27--We are having more winter again with snow and cold. On Feb. 25th it was 8 below with enough wind to run the windmills. Temperature only rose to zero that day.

This kind of weather keeps tapping fever down. David Hostetler is the only one that has tapped yet of the Amish to my knowing.

West dist. church is to be at Andy Millers' on March 4th. East dist. was at Ezra Masts' last Sun. in the big house on the former Mose Hershberger place.

Enos E. Mast is on a trip again. Jacob and Ephriam Zooks have also gone on a trip to take in a wedding in Knox Co. Jacobs had also gone to Tenn. first.

Dan Zooks are planning for a farm sale to get rid of his machinery, etc. since the boys have taken over the farming, probably around mid-April.

Reports are that Sam Zehr has sold the Jacob Streicher farm now to a fellow from Toronto. Farms are still selling high. I don't know if this will have any effect on our new tax law that was passed last week to go into effect Jan. 1, 1991. If it will be as bad as reports are it will not leave much of a future for any Amish settlements in Can.

A letter from Dad at Scottsville, Ky. reports improvements. He now gets around with a cane instead of his walker. His writing has also improved some but his hand and leg are still numb.

A letter from the publishers say our book "Sieghordus" is finished and ready to ship, which is 6 weeks earlier than their estimated time.

Pre. Andy A. Schrocks are still on their trip to Ohio but are expected home by the end of this week.

In a recent letter I gave a new address for Dad in Ky. He says in his letter he prefers people to use his old address which is 1261 West Hinton Rd., Scottsville 42164. He now had another birthday and is 83 years old. Noah Stutzman

ST. MARYS, ONT., CAN.

Lakeside Dist.

Feb. 26--We received a light cover of snow on Sat. and 4 below zero Sun. morning.

Little Elmer and 3-month-old Susie, children of Enos Yoders, had the flu with temp. of 104 last week and still not free from a fever.

Last Thurs. afternoon Anna and Amanda Yoder called on Mrs. John Henry Coblentz. Others there were Mrs. Joe and Polly Anna Stoll, Mrs. John and Nancy Gascho, Mrs Ike Stoltzfus, Mrs. Joe Zehr, Mrs. Dan Jantzi, Mrs. John Streicher and Mrs. Peter Stoll and 2 little girls from Aylmer. Mrs. Joe Zehr, Mrs. John Streicher and Mrs. Dan Jantzi also made a call with Mrs. Melvin Albrecht across the road.

Jonas Hertzler, wife and youngfolks Noah Lydia and Elmer left Sat. noon with Henry Lochstein for Romulus, N.Y. for the weekend.

Mrs. John Henry Coblentz's leg is healing nicely. She walks with crutches rather cautiously as she doesn't have a cast.

Noah Coblentz was in Aylmer area over Sunday as he has special interests there.

David Grabers, Mrs. Yost Yoder from here and Susie and Ella Swarey from Mt. Elgin, with Bruce Zavitz were in Ind. a few days last week. Little RoseAnna was with her aunt, the Eli Petersheims in her mother's absence.

The Taylor family that lives in what used to be our public schoolhouse had a break-in Fri. around noon. We didn't find out what was taken. The drawers were emptied and contents scattered over the floor. Amanda and I noticed the same car going by here 8 times within 15 or 20 minutes. Our concern was about the school children and the distance we are from the road. He went into Taylors, a brief stop, then out the lane going east and was seen no more. We thought no more about it till we saw the police car & van at Taylors. They had broken a door to enter. Mrs. Elmer Yoder

DESBORO, ONT., CANADA

Feb. 25--Our nice layer of snow was almost rained away on Thurs. a.m., but lots of wet snow in p.m. and that night and next morn. gave around 6" coverage again. Temp. -10° this morning. Is again -6° tonight.

The nice mild weather on Wed. put several to the maple bushes tapping, but Thurs.' rain and wet snow put a halt to this. Was too cold since. We tapped one small tree at our lane as a sample on Wed. p.m. By Fri. morning we had enough boiled on our kitchen stove for each a serving.

The Amish plan on getting $32 per U.S. gal. or $33 per 4 litres this season, Up $1 from last year.

We sold one gal. for export to Germany last week and still have one gal. left from last year's stock. The man was happy with our price. He said they pay $20 per one litre in Germany (35.2 oz.).

Ezra D. Yoder and son Andy want to leave in morning for Heuvelton, N.Y. area to attend a wedding at his bro. Joni's place on Thurs. Lovina J. Miller wants to accompany him to have some teeth pulled by her uncle Ben L. S. They plan to be back by Sat. evening.

Jacob D. Zooks are away to the States and Ephraim D. Z.s want to leave tomorrow, where both want to attend the wedding of the women's bro. Noah of Knox Co., Oh.

John N.. Stutzmans arrived home from Medina Co., Ohio on Thurs.

East dist. church was held at Ezra J. Masts' today, this being the first time church was held in that house in nearly 8 years (they are now where Mose and Enos Hershbergers used to live, now in N.Y.). Church next to be at Dan E. Stutzmans' and West at Andy J. Millers'.

Attending from West were the Bish. Sam L. Swartzentrubers and Pre. Andy J. Miller. Also from the Linwood area were the David Zehr family, who are visiting mainly with the Kuepfers and Zehrs in this area.

Yest., Jacob L. Yoders vacated the "sawmill house" where Dan J. Stutzmans will move into sometime in March, where he will operate the sawmill. Jacobs moved into the "dress house" at his parents', where he will be helping his parents with the maple syrup. He quit his schoolteaching job on Fri. Susie D. Stutzman will try and take on his job.

Levi J. Yoders had some excitement recently when they wanted to heat up some cold varnish to finish chairs. They set the glass jar on the stove and the bottom blew out, dumping the varnish on the hot stove. Instantly it ignited with flames almost hitting the ceiling! Doors were opened to let the dense smoke escape. By the time a pail of water was fetched, the varnish was nearly burned up and the flames nearly out. Luckily, not a big amount of varnish was in the jar and no damage occurred other than the smoke. Noah J. Stutzman

MOSSLEY, ONT., CANADA

Feb. 26--Temperature 5 below zero this morning. Had some snow Sat. and by evening it was stormy.

Sam Borntregers were on their way home from Jamesport and by the time they got to Windsor they cancelled all further schedules till Sunday morning. The bus company got a hotel for the passengers for the night. So Sams didn't come home till noon yesterday.

Jonas Hershbergers loaded their belongings on Tues. and left for Iowa to make that their new home. Dannie U. G. from Ia. came with two pickups and trailers to get them. They couldn't get everything on so Jonas planned to come back this week to get the rest. Levi H. went with the trucks and came back with the bus.

The evening of the 15th there was an old singing at Ezra Millers' in the dody house at David Hershbergers'. Ezras and Mrs. Clara Borntreger then left for Reed City, Mich. early Sat. morning. She seemed to be coming along real good after her hip operation in Woodstock.

On Tues. when I was on my way to Jonases my horse got Azoturia so that I had to have a vet out to treat her, but is okay again. Clemens Borntreger

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LINWOOD, ONT., CANADA

Feb. 26--After a mid-week mild spell with rain. We are back into sub-zero weather. Yest. morning was minus 10° F. with a stiff north wind.

Min. Joe N. Jantzi was in hosp. early last week with suspected heart trouble. He is home again now, but we haven't heard if it was his heart.

Harvey Kuepfer's baby was also in the hosp. to be treated for jaundice and is home again now. Mrs. Allen Kuepfer (Laura) is back in the hosp. We people with healthy lungs just breathe in and out, taking all for granted, never thinking how it would be, if we had to fight for every breath. Laura knows how it is.

On the way home from Joe Kipfer's church a week ago yest. Min. Eli Kuepfer's horse took him out in front a pickup truck. Results were some torn harness and a ditched pickup, with a scratch or dent, which cost Eli $600 to fix. Even so it was still a very minor accident, compared to what could have been.

The environment is very much in the news. In Elmira, 15 miles east of us, the town water wells are contaaminated by a chemical, which they say originates from a chemical factory there and near Lake Erie, southwest of Hamilton, 14 million scrap tires are burning out of control.

Elmer Kuepfer

AYLMER, ONT., CANADA

East District

Feb. 26--Winter is here again, with sub-zero temp. last night. Have a ncie layer of snow over the ice we had earlier.

Church services were held at Lewis Swartzentrubers' for first time since they live here. Visitors attending were Lewis Mast, Ivan Troyer and Melvin Yoder of Dover, Del. who arrived at Lewises' Sat. p.m. They plan to leave again Tues. morn.

Also attending church were David and Ida Mae Wagler who were here for a couple weeks already. Guess their plans changed since my last letter. He was admitted to the hospital to have his leg amputated as planned. But at the last minute the drs. weren't so sure it's necessary after all, and cancelled it for the time being. They took another lab test and are waiting on the results which might take several weeks. Meanwhile, Daves are going to go back home until they are summoned to come back. Charles Newland and Carl Sansburn want to take them.

A practice singing is planned at Joe Gaschos' on Wed. eve. in honor of Dave before he leaves for home.

Mrs. Jacob Eicher (Lydia) had a tumor removed from her finger on Friday. It had grown among the nerves and blood vessels, that it was a little complicated to cut out. She has 10 stitches.

Yesterday dau. Hannah and I were to church while Harold stayed home with the sick. He decided to try baking biscuits for dinner. When I arrived home he complained, "These biscuits just don't taste like biscuits." At one glance I assured him they look alright. But upon tasting, I questioned him further and discovered he put in 5 tablespoons baking powder instead of 5 teaspoons! The result was 3 times as much as was intended and the flavor was evident alright!

John Martins and Anna Stoll are expected home from Belize this week. They plan to have church on March 11th. Mrs. Harold Stoll

ST. MARYS, ONT.,CANADA

Lakeside District

Feb. 12--Joe N. Coblentzes of Rosebush, Mich. came to John Henry Coblentzes' on Feb. 7 and left for home the next day. Clara Coblentz acccompanied them after being here with her sister for a month.

Sun. morning Levi J. Millers drove up from Mt. Elgin with horse and buggy, having a dinner with Jonas Hertzlers and going to John Henry Coblentzes' in the afternoon. They drove home in the evening.

Feb. 19--Rain Sat. evening left a coat of ice on the snow. By Sun. morning temp. was at 4^0 above zero.

Jonathan Albrecht had a cyst removed from his lower eyelid as an outpatient in St. Marys hospital.

In the community on Sat. from Milverton were Aaron Waglers, David and Irwin Albrechts, Emmaline and Adeline Albrecht at Melvin Albrechts, Mrs. Elmer Kuepfer and Mrs. Chris Albrecht with Mrs. John Henry Coblentz.

Mrs. Shelden Fuller died last Mon. afternoon, the result of choking on a doughnut. She, with her husband moved from their home on the farm to Kingsway Lodge (nursing home) last May.

Church on Sun. at Enos Yoders', to be there again in 2 weeks. We had as visitors Min. Eddie E. Yoder, wife and baby and Mrs. Ella Swarey of Mt. Elgin. Eddies were at Henry Troyers' Sat. night and Ella Swarey at Jonas Hertzlers'.

Sun. afternoon Jonas Hertzlers took Eddies to Eli Petersheims' and Elizabeth Hochstetler's and Yost Yoders took Ella to visit John Henry Anna.

Eddie Yoders, Ella Swarey, Eli Petersheims, Yosts, Anna and Amanda Yoder had supper with Enos Yoders Sun. evening and attended the singing at the same place. Eddies were Sun. night guests with John Henry Coblentzes and Ella Swarey with her dau., the Yost Yoders, both leaving early this morning for home.

Anna Coblentz was to Stratford Hospital last Wed. The dr. said she's doing ok. He took the clamp out where the insision was and she's to wait another 4 weeks, then they may give her a walking cast. Mrs. Elmer Yoder

AYLMER, ONT., CANADA

Feb. 20--Word was received here of Levi Slaubaugh's death, Feb. 13. Those who left the following morning to attend his funeral in Fla. were Marks and Alva Stoll, Jr. Millers, David Benders, Lois Gascho and Martha Eicher. Levis lived here for many years but moved to Mich. two years and spent their winters in Fla.

Paul Stolls and Norman Zehrs went by Greyhound to Bible Center and Salem to visit their sisters and families over the weekend. Pauls will then come home but Normans will go on to Dixon yet.

Another load was in Mich. and Ind. over the weekend. Robert Alexanders attended baptismal services near Middlebury where Roger Williams were baptized. Staying in Charlotte to visit (teacher) Harvey Miller were Ammon Millers, Wilbur and Marvin Miller, Mark Hochstetler and Caleb Stoll. Going on to Quincy were Joe Jantzis and the twins. These arrived home Mon. evening and the Florida load is expected Tue. (tonight) or tomorrow.

Joe Jantzis received a message from Milverton that her father is in the hospital with breathing problems. Dave Wagler of Bloomfield is scheduled for leg amputation on Thurs., Feb. 22nd, by the same doctor that put in his new knee two weeks, and then found the cancerous tumor. Some of his children talk of coming from Bloomfield over the operation.

To Alfred and Suzi Meyers' friends, they are busy in their little cottage in the woods. In April they have to go back for their daughter Danielle's wedding. Danielle's betrothed one's name is Daniel. This will be the last of their children to marry. Polly Anna Stoll

DUNSTER, B.C., CANADA

Feb. 23--B.C. has had for the most part a mild winter with quite a bit of snowfall. Last week temperatures dropped to a low of -26°F. This was the coldest reading at our place.

The men felling trees are working on snowshoes. They are unable to cut as low as they would like due to deep snow.

Evan and Ruth Miller were to Penna. to attend Bible school at the Royers church. They went by way of Wisc. accompanying the young folks from there.

Thelma and I were to Duchess to see our new granddau. born to Neil and Josie. They named here Patricia Fern, born Jan. 26. We also visited my sis. Ruth and Ben Torkelson, going on to Coaldale to son Lyles. We took a meal at Howard Torkelsons' at Coaldale and Peter Baers at Tilley.

Mervin Baer, James Baer, Waldon Plett and Harry Baer attended a ministers' meeting at Duchess Feb. 20.

James Baer and son Jordan arrived from the Philippines Feb. 12 to take care of business interests. James and Dan Zimmerman operate the tire shop in McBride. James will return March 5.

Clarence and Elizabeth Miller were to Coaldale over Feb. 18 and also attended the ministers' meeting.

Two grandsons, Joseph and Edwin Steiner are at Bible school at Carbon Hill. They will return tomorrow.

Margaret and Susan Schapansky are also at Bible school. Tammy Baer, Agnes and Cathrine Fehr plan to go to Bible school for next term.

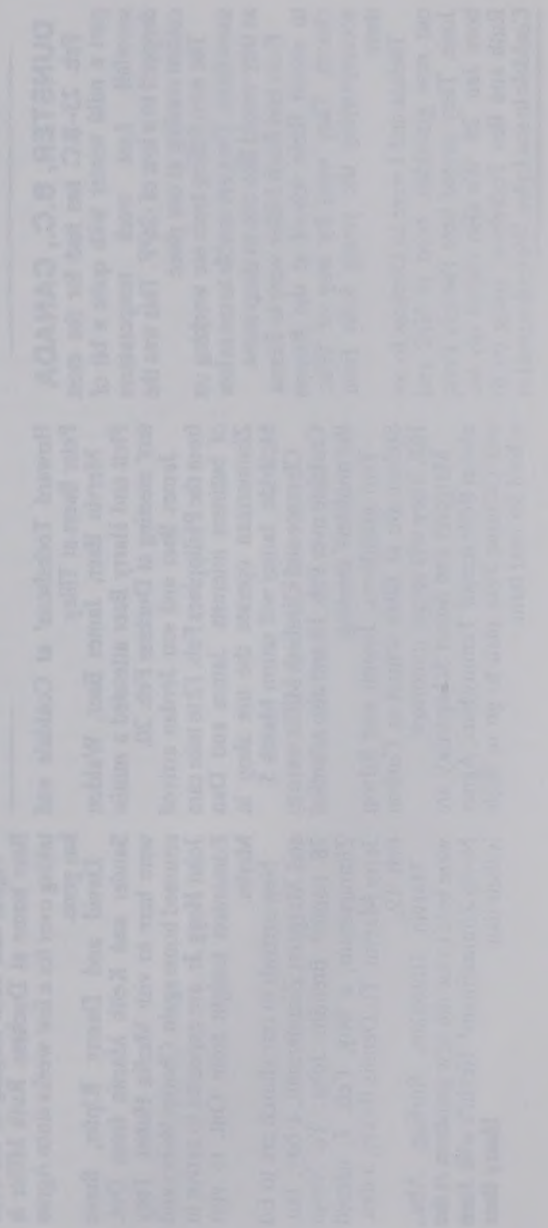
Agnes had been helping in the Neil Baer home at Duchess. Ruth Miller is taking over for a few weeks since Agnes has gone.

David and Danny Kipfer, Steve Sauder and Keith Martin from Ont. were here to visit Merlin Huber. They returned home again. Charles Huber and John Hogg Jr. are expected to arrive in Edmonton tonight from Ont. to visit Merlin.

New arrivals in our church are to Ed and Margaret Zimmerman, a boy, Jan. 28 named Brendin John. To Nevin Zimmermans, a boy, Feb. 7, named Jerry Marvin. To Dennis Birkys, a dau. Feb. 19.

Marvin Hostetlers, Stirling, Alta., were here to see the new grandson at the Nevin Zimmermans'. Nevin's wife Joan is their dau.

Harry Baer



PETERSBURG, ONT., CAN.

New Hamburg Congregation

We have been enjoying beautiful spring-like weather. A few robins have been seen. Speaking of birds, maybe you would like to have a canary. Ellen Eby has 8 lovely young canaries as well as several adult birds. They provide much entertainment for her and are a pleasure for visitors to see.

Esther Good (Mrs. Marvin) suffered a twisted knee a few weeks ago and has difficulty in walking. The dr. says the cartilage is injured and will take some time to heal. Surgery may be necessary.

Glen and Rachel Yoder, presently living in Ontario, and formerly from India were recent visitors at the home of Ella Grove. Barbara Burkholder, Rachel's sister, accompanied them, also the 3 Yoder boys.

Howard and Barbara Bean and family have returned from being at Maranatha, Minn. for 6 weeks and Howard has resumed his responsibilities in the schoolroom. During his absence one of the teachers suffered a fractured skull when she fell on the ice.

To Timothy and Anna Mary Martin a son named Jesse Quinton.

To Dale and Mary Ann Martin a son named Jason Eric.

Albert and Anna Reimer of Calton Congregation attended at New Hamburg Church. Albert brought the message. They and 3 daughters visited at the Aaron Good home.

Aaron and Mary Good

AYLMER, ONT., CANADA

March 6--The ice houses are now all filled. Some were filled around Christmas and had real nice thickness. It seemed like we were going to have a real old-fashioned winter so the rest weren't excited about putting away ice. In Jan. it warmed up and for awhile it looked as if it wasn't going to get thick enough again to put it away. It was around 7 and 8 inches thick then.

John Martins and Anna Stoll returned from their 4-week trip to Belize. They visited in Finger, Tn. and Scottsville, Ky. with John's brother Davys and sister Susie, Joe Troyers. While they were gone Anna's daughter and granddaughters gave her house a fresh coat of paint throughout.

Ervin Millers and Norman Zehrs are caught in the bus strike the U.S. is having. They have Ameripass tickets and were on extensive visiting trips. Normans are stranded in Rosebush, Mi. and Ervins are somewhere in Oklahoma. Charlie Newland and Carl Sanburn took Dave Waglers home to Iowa, so Normans were trying to contact them for a ride home.

A van load of visitors from Holmes Co. were here for the weekend. They were Daniel Hochstetlers, Atlee Millers, Eddie Klines, Lester Beachys (Limpytown scribe) and Steve Enbretsons. Daniel was school age when his family (Monroes) used to live here. A load from Kalona was also expected but didn't come. Polly Anna Stoll

LINWOOD, ONT., CAN

March 5--We've enjoyed some sunny days in March so far, but cold winds and temperatues in the zero range.

Church yesterday was at Menno Albrechts'. Sermons were by Eli Kuepfer and Menno Albrecht, text by Lloyd Kuepfer.

James and Dorothy Jantzi can now call each other Mom and Dad and Norman and Ruth Jantzi can call each other Grandpa and Grandma. Reason for this is a little boy born on Feb. 27. Negotiations are still under way to find a name for him. The other set of grandparents are Menno Albrechts.

Last Thursday, Earl Waglers skidded a 12' x 24' two-story building home for us. Danny Albrecht had built it for a part-time shop, when he worked here and lived on Ezra Albrecht's other farm. Since Danny has moved and is now a farmer, he had no further use for it. Our plans for it are not complete, but we will probably move some things out of our crowded shop and put them in there, after we get a base under it and set it where we want it.

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NORWICH, ONT., CANADA

Mar. 2--Weather has been nice the last week with temp. mostly in the 20s.

East dale church was at William D. Shetlers' today and is to be at Dan J. Shetlers' in two weeks. Toby L. Miller was in church from Conewango, N.Y. He has been working for his brother Andy several weeks.

Our church is to be at Dan E. Millers' next Sunday.

Noah J. Shetlers from Snyder Co., Pa. were through here on Tues. and Wed. enroute to Stanwood, Mich.; also making other stops including Bremen, Ohio. They expect to be gone about 4 weeks.

Son Elis want to move in the near future to the Norwich tile plant and Pre. Dan G. Millers have sold their farm and will give possession by April 1st. They rented the property where Elis will leave and move in there.

Born to Dannie M. Millers a son named Johnny on Feb. 14th. Edna R. Miller is the hired girl. Grandparents are Mose J. Millers and Jacob E. Bylers.

Born to Levi D. Millers, a son named Eli. He has 3 sisters. Katie R. Miller is the hired girl. Grandparents are Dan E. Millers and Gideon E. Millers. Little Eli was born on Feb. 24th.

Atlee Shetlers are just over the measles. Mahlon, the oldest, didn't get them as yet. The other 11 children had them the last 3 weeks. No one else in this area picked them up from them.

Jonas J. Miller

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Choir practice is to be at Dan D. Miller' next Sunday.

Visit [illegible] from Sarnia City. We [illegible] through here on Tues. and Wed. [illegible] to Stevensville, Mich. and [illegible] the Holiday Dreams Choir [illegible] They expect to be gone about a week.

Ben [illegible] to Dundee, Mi. Miller a son [illegible] January on Feb. 19th. Baby [illegible] is the third girl. Grandpa with [illegible] Lillian and Jacob E. Yoder.

Ben [illegible] D. Millers a son named [illegible] Sara R. Miller is the [illegible] girl. Grandparents are Dan R. [illegible] and Clinton E. Miller. Lives [illegible] Feb. 24th.

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Irma L. Miller

MILLBANK, ONT., CAN.

Cedar Grove A.M. Church

Feb. 28--The past weekend has been very cold, after some spring-like days.

The maple syrup people were tapping trees, but it is unusually early. Ronald and David (Ohmer Jantzi's boys) cooked 5½ gallons of maple syrup last weekend from 300 taps.

Clifford and Beatrice Kuepfer welcome a son Terry Clifford, Feb. 5. He has 2 sisters, Violet and Patricia. Happy grandparents are Norman and Laurene Jantzi, Willis and Kathryn Kuepfer. Ben and Marion Kuepfer and Emmanuel and Elizabeth Gerber are the great grandparents.

Sandra Roes is improving from her fractured skull accident, but has not been able to return to her teaching duties.

Recently traveling to Wi., Iowa and Ky. were Marvin and Esther Good and Joe & Shirley Gerber. They were gone four days.

Barbara, dau. of Ohmer and Esther Jantzi, had a tobogganing accident. The snow was ice covered. She needed around 40 stitches because of a few deep cuts in her face. The stitches have been removed and she is coming along fine.

Coming back to winter weather from Fla. were my uncle and aunt, Ezra and Adeline Gerber. They had been gone 2 weeks with Adeline's cousin, Clayton Steinmans. Also traveling to Fla. are Aaron L. & Katie Jantzi, Valentine and Clara Gerber.

Visiting Murray and Karen Jantzi at Warren, Ont. last week were Mahlon and Mary Gerber, Sarah, Linda, John, Martha and Daniel. Other weekend visitors were David, Eva and Grant Erb.

Sun. visitor at church was Laura Carter. She was a dinner guest at John and Mary Zehr. Other visitors at the same home were Ella Mae and Eleanor Wagler, Allan, Emma and Ruth Wagler and John, Nancy and Darlene Steckley.

Traveling to Mayfield, Ky. for the Kauffman-Wagler wedding are Douglas Gerber, Darlene Steckley, Mervin Albrecht, Connie Gerber, David Lichty and Leslie Gerber.

Mary Ellen Gerber

MOSSLEY, ONT., CAN.

March 11--Sis. Katie, my wife and I left on the bus for Missouri on the 28th of Feb. We arrived at bro. Moses' at LaPlata the next p.m.

Then the next day we with Moses got a driver and went to Bloomfield and Milton for the day. Sat. to Anabel and back to Moses for the night. Went to church at Joe Gingerichs' and made a few more calls after church.

Sis. Katie left for Bowling Green Sat. eve. with a load that was there at LaPlata for a quilting. Then Mon. the wife and I went to Clark. Were to Ed E. Petersheims' for dinner and they hauled us around and to Joe B. Millers' for the night. Joe's then hauled us the next day and back to Ed P. for the night. Left there the next morn. for Bowling Green. Came to sis. Lydia (Jacob N.L. Schwartz) in time for dinner. Then they hauled us around the next 2½ days till Fri. eve. we got on the bus for home again and arrived home last night around 7:00.

A few of the local people took the measles shots a few weeks ago resulting in some side-effects that weren't very nice.

West gma was at Levi Kauffmans'.

March 12--Toby Kauffmans now have an appointment to take their baby in today for his operation tomorrow.

E. gma was at Enos Yoders' yest. and is bestellt at Ab Kauffmans' next time.

Clemens Borntreger

ST. MARY'S, ONT., CAN.

Lakeside Dist.

March 5--Church yesterday at Enos E. Yoder's and to be at John L. Stutzman's the next time with Noah Gaschos from Aylmer as our visitors. Noahs came up to her parents', the John Henry Coblentzes, Sat. morn. and plans were to go home this morn.

John Henry Anna was in church yesterday for the first time since she broke her leg. She uses crutches.

Some children having colds and sore throat. Ones missing in church were Laura, Daniel and Linda, children of Henry Troyers, Nathan and Ephriam, sons of Yost Yoders.

Levi B. Troyer is planning to leave today for Lanc. Co., Pa., St. Mary's Co., Md., then to Somerset, Pa. to be with his dau., the Albert Hertzlers, for two weeks. Plans to be gone for 4 weeks.

The 9 Mother's Pizza Restaurants are selling out. Everything was brought to London where they are selling at public auction.

March 6--Levi B. Troyer went as far as London where he was told the buses in U.S. are on strike, so he came home again.

It was very interesting to receive all the answers that I got for my request of "The Good Old Days" magazine. I got 18 replies from different states including Mass. and Minn. Mrs. Elmer Yoder

DESBORO, ONT., CANADA

March 11--We have continuous mild weather with temp. above 40°, after a cold spell of below zero temp. from the 5th to 8th. This afternoon we are having rain.

East dist. church was held at Dan E. Stutzmans' today. To be at the writers' in 2 weeks.

Attending from West were Bish. Sam L. Swartzentrubers, Pre. Andy A. Schrocks and Harvey D. Stutzmans.

It's a boy, Andy, at Gideon N. Stutzmans' since March 6th. Grands are Noah N. Stutzmans of here and Pre. Mose E. Hershbergers of Heuvelton, N.Y. area. Four brothers and two sisters greet him.

Pre. Andy A. Schrocks arrived home Wed. after being in Ohio around a month and felt lucky after some experiences with the Greyhound strikes. Their first attempt to start home was hopeless, as no bus came to Wooster. So the next week they got a taxi to Akron where they were able to get a bus. In Buffalo they tried a second time before their bus got in at the terminal on account of strikes. One fellow threatened to use an iron bar, but was guarded by police.

Quite a few horses have problems with blocked bowels reently. Vets claim its from the poor nutrient hay from last summer. One fellow has had a vet 4 times for one horse, while another one decided to put an end to his horses' predicament, and shipped it to the market.

Emanuel L. Shetlers and son Dan and Noah L. Shetler left last Sat. for Heuvelton, N.Y. area to attend their sister's wedding. They returned home on Thurs. eve. Jacob D.Z.'s and Ephraim D. Zooks also returned home last of the week from being in Ohio.

Harvey N. Hostetlers arrived in this area on Fri. enroute from N.Y. They have plans to return for their Medina Co. home on Tue.

Sap has been running since Thur. Those who hadn't tapped before, hiked for the bushes.

March 12--Rained all night, heavy at times. Took most of the snow, causing high water.

Bro. Dans are expected to arrive in the area this Sat. from Medina Co., Ohio to make this their home.

Awhile back when the snow went down, Mrs. Emery Weaver found a wallet along the road, containing a sizeable amount of soaked money, credit cards, driver's license, papers, etc. The owner's name was also there so they sent notice. They had lost the wallet around Christmas time and had offered a $20.00 reward if found. By then they did not think they would ever find it. Mrs. Weaver didn't think she needed $20.00 for finding it, so they gave her 4 doz. oranges. Noah J. Stutzman

FULLARTON, ONTARIO

March 7--It has been very cold here the last while. All the travelers have returned home, except Rodney Giesbrechts, who are in Nova Scotia. Most of us are just kind of waiting for spring to happen.

Sunday, Feb. 25, we drove into Toronto in the afternoon to pick up sister Rhonda Gamberg and son Tyson and drive them downtown to the hospital for sick children. Tyson has been subject to recurring bouts of respiratory problems since he was one year old.

Chris went in by bus last Wed. to spend the day with Rhonda. Fri. night Herman and Wanda Friesen went in to bring Rhonda & Tyson out for the weekend. Sat. afternoon we took them to Waterloo County for some shopping and to visit the brethren there. Fred & Barb Toews took them back to Toronto Sun. eve. and today Sherwin & Gladys Friesen went in to take them to the airport to return home to Saskatchewan. Haven't heard yet what the results of Tyson's tests were, except that they did rule out cystic fibrosis.

If anyone out there is expecting interest rates to come down soon, the news isn't too encouraging. The U.S. has been drawing huge influxes of foreign capital for a number of years to make up for the budget and foreign trade deficits. $150 billion a year has been coming in, mostly from the Far East and the Middle East, and also from Europe. With the dramatic changes in the Iron Curtain countries last year, those nations are now calling for huge investments to rebuild their economics. It is estimated that a reunited Germany will need $1 trillion over the next 5 years to restore the East German economy to the level of the West. How will they get that money? By raising interest rates. How then will the U.S. get the $150 billion it needs each year? By raising interest rates in competition. Canada, of course, is in the same boat, only in smaller amounts due to a smaller population.

The Bank of Canada and the U.S. Federal Reserve Bank make the claim that they can control inflation by raising interest rates. Now I readily acknowledge that economic theory is beyond my grasp. But it seems to me that there are a few troubling discrepancies in this approach. First, higher interest rates paid by business are passed along to the consumer, increasing prices. Second, people who need to borrow for major purchases will delay those purchases, causing sales to fall and putting people out of work. Those losing their jobs are usually those with the least resources to fall back on, thus increasing welfare costs. Third, this increase budget deficits at higher interest rates, which sooner or later will require higher taxes, which is inflationary.

I suspect the entire budget deficit of most governments could be accounted for by interest charges. So they need to continually borrow more money to pay the interest, adding year by year to the interest that needs to be paid in the future.

Economic problems are international in scope today, with no nation being in total control of its own economy.

As Christian people we won't do much good by criticizing our governments for the situation they find themselves in. But we see that even many Christian homes are operating on the same plan as governments in relation to debt, hoping that someday income will rise to match our outgo. That we can do something about. The power of Mammon is reaching out to rule the world today and even governments are powerless against it. As Christians we must demonstrate a difference in the way we use and relate to money.

Bob Goodnough

ELMIRA, ONT., CANADA

March 4--We have a nice layer of snow at present.

Norman Bauman, age 65, died of a stroke on Feb. 25 after a three-week stay in the hospital. Surviving are his wife Viola Clemmer, sons Leonard, Robert, Cecil, Darrell and dau. Margaret (Mrs. Elam Brubacher). Normans lived in a double house in Hawkesville with their dau. and son-in-law Elam and Margaret.

The funeral was held on Feb. 28 at Martin's with Joseph Weber, Jacob Weber and Noah Martin officiating.

On Jan. 20 Murrell and Mary Martin were blessed with their 6th child, 4th dau. named Jeanette Marie. Her grandparents are Melvin and Ruby Martin and Cleason and Salome Martin.

Daryl and Arlene Shantz welcomed their 2nd child, first son to their family on Jan. 30 named Colin Daryl. Grandparents are Urias Shantzes and Oscar and Seleda Martin.

A few weeks ago Jackie Lynn made her appearance in the home of Donald and Marian Frey. Ernest Freys and Elmer and Luella Martin are the grandparents. This is their first child.

Wilbert and Leona Martin welcomed their first dau., 2nd child, to their family on March 4 named June Marie. Grandparents are Milton Martins and Lorne and Lucinda Martin.

The passing away of Sulinda (Mrs. Henry) Bowman early this morn. was announced at church today. She was 81 and was not very well the last while. Surviving are Almeda (Mrs. Archibald) Krieger, Edna (Mrs. Vernon) Shoemaker, Abner and Clayton, and Viola (Mrs. Willard) Lichty.

We were at Elmira church today where Clare Frey and Edgar Bauman brought the messages. Dea. Amsey Weber read the text.

Howard Gingeriches took Dea. Glen Horsts and Min. Emerson Bauman to the church service at Reesors in Markham.

March 5--Today I attended coffee hour at Three Bridges Public School where our two oldest children attend. These coffee hours are for the principal to get the feeling of the parents on any issues which affect or concern either the parents or the principal. We feel fortunate that the principal and the local school board are quite receptive to our concerns. The fact that all students at this school are from the conservative element of the Mennonite Church gives them the freedom to tailor this school, more in the direction of our way of life.

Cleon Bauman

CHESLEY, ONT., CAN.

Mar. 12--We had an all-night rain and is still at it this morning. The mild weather put maple syrup producers to work. A few have made some syrup, but with all this rain some sap may have to be dumped out.

West dist. church is to be at Moses Stutzmans' next.

Visiting in the area are Harvey N. Hostetler of Medina County.

Hunting season is closed now with lots of Jacks left for another season.

Five hunters took advantage of the last ½ day of the season, taking 5 jack rabbits. One fellow was lucky enough to be at the right place at the right time and bagged 4.

Pike season will also soon be closing. One grandpa tried his luck recently. He made the mistake of taking his grandson along. Grandpa got skunked while the grandson caught the big one.

Pre. Andy A. Schrocks have returned home again after being delayed a week due to the Greyhound bus strike.

My father in Ky. has improved enough that he can get around without the aid of a cane, although his leg and arm are still numb.

According to what we hear, 1991 will bring some big changes to our country. In our new budget we will not only have our 8% sales tax to pay, but going into effect then will be a 7% goods and service tax. This new tax had to be charged on most items, including wages.

For instance, we take logs to a mill to get sawed into lumber, we must pay provincial sales tax on the sawing of our own logs, but no federal sales tax.

The new law will be to charge goods and service tax at 7% since it is a manufactured product. Add that to your bill, then figure sales tax on the whole bit.

Most people will have to be certified or licensed to collect and send in the new tax. They say we will still have 41¢ to the dollar left to live on after paying all our legal taxes.

Born to Gideon N. Stutzmans a boy 9 lbs. 14 ozs. on March 6, named Andy.

Noah Stutzman

ONTARIO, CANADA

March 6--South district church was at John J. Millers' and North district is to be at John D. Shetler's.

John J. Shetler, Rudy D. Byler, Mary and Esther D. Stutzman were to Michigan over last Sun. Dan E. Miller of Mich. spent about a week here.

The ones that were to Mich. brought us the news that a dau. named Amelia was born to Emanuel and Ella Stutzman, their first. March 20 they will have their 15th wedding anniversary.

Jan. 31, a son named Levi was born to Menno and Iva Miller. On the same day twin sons were born to Levi and Amelia Yoder at St. Joseph's Hospital in London. Andrew weighed 3 lb. and 9 oz. and Aden weighed 7 lb. and 1 oz.Andrew was in an incubator the first day. He was o.k. without one till the second day. Was transferred to Wingham Hospital on Fri., Feb. 2nd. His weight went back to 3 lb. 7 oz. till Sat. Then he started gaining and weighed 3 lb. 11 oz. when he came home a week later on Feb. 9th. A nurse came out in the home twice a week till he weighed 5 lbs. He's doing fine so far.

Aden was born with a serious heart condition and they worked on him awhile to get to know what his trouble is. His main valve was leaking so the heart couldn't pump enough blood to go all over his lungs, etc. Therefore he had to have oxygen. He was on 4 different kinds of medication to try to shrink his heart, which it did a wee bit. He remained stable until Fri. at noon he started going backward and passed away shortly after 4. He had been transferred to Sick Children's Hosp. on Wed. eve. as there is where his heart specialist was.

Levis have 2 other children, Rachel (2) and Rebecca (1).

Grandparents are Noah D. Stutzmans and Andrew B. Yoders.

Their address is Route 3, Lucknow, Ont. N0G 2H0.

Feb. 22 a son named Daniel was born to Henry and Elizabeth Stutzman. He has the same grandparents as the above twins. Katie Stutzman

BAY TREE, ALB., CAN.

March 5--The weather the past several weeks has been extremely mild with temperatures up to 60° F. The snow is rapidly disappearing.

Alta Peachey came home for a visit from Feb. 5-8. She had tendinitis in her foot and was advised by her doctor to stay off of it as much as possible for a week, so she took leave from her job at a meat market in the city of Edmonton and took the bus to visit her family, the Jess Peacheys.

Wayne and Joyce Zimmerman from McBride, B.C. stopped for lunch at the Jess Peacheys' on their way home from LaCrete, Alberta on Feb. 12. They were returning from taking their son Ed's mother-in-law home to LaCrete after a stay in McBride, where she had been helping her dau. after the birth of a grandson.

Albert and Edith LaRochelle and Jess & Faye Peachey went to the Peace River Penitentiary on Feb. 16 for a meeting with the prison director and the other leaders of groups who work as volunteers in spreading the gospel there. The new time schedule permits us to give our program at a time when the prisoners have nothing to do, which will hopefully bring a greater number to our services.

Jess, Faye, Linda and Luci Peachey, along with Keturah Martin, attended the minister's meeting of the Western Fellowship in Estacada, Oregon. The meetings were held on Feb. 21 and 22. The Peacheys' trip also included a stop in Cataldo, Idaho overnight to visit the Dennis Carpenter family, spending the weekend with Larry Baers in Fairfield, Montana, an overnight stay with Jake Hofers in Stirling, Alberta and one with their dau. Alta in Edmonton.

Keturah Martin spent the weekend with David and Rachel Birky and attended Dorcas Kropf's wedding at Harrisburg. Then she caught a ride with Paul and Wilma Hofer as far as Stirling, Alberta and came home to Dawson Creek on the bus.

Willard Stutzman consented to preach the Sunday that Jess was gone. Harvey Burkholders from Slave Lake, Alberta attended church that Sunday. Harvey is the son of Mary, Phil Sadlier's wife. Other visitors were Phil Sadlier's granddaughter Lorissa and her husband from Alaska. Lucinda Peachey

LINWOOD, ONT., CAN.

Mar. 12--Slush, mud and mist. Fields are bare and the yard is revealing things left laying last fall. Sap is running.

James Jantzis have named their baby Joseph. Harvey Kuepfers' 4-week-old baby James is in the hospital now a week, with a virus pneumonia and improvement seems to come very slowly.

Yesterday we took a carry-in dinner to Uncle Elmer L. Kuepfers'. Aunt Katie has Alzheimers, and it makes long days and much care and work for Elmer. Elmer had a hard session of the flu some weeks ago and isn't feeling well yet. As we can imagine, Elmer is glad to see visitors and Katie seems to enjoy it, too. They haven't been getting many visitors. Let's stop in more often for a friendly chat, maybe sing a little if we are so inclined, bring a few cookies or a little fruit. I don't think we realize how much it would mean to us if we were in their shoes. Their address is R.R. 1, Newton, Ont. N0K 1R0. A letter would brighten their day, too.

Regarding recent Stevens, Pa. column, comment on honesty of horse dealers. If you have never met an honest one, I would say that is quite unusual. We've got some in this area that we can trust. I think that honesty in horse dealers is like honesty in any other business. A dishonest one wouldn't be in business very long. If he's been around a while doing that, you can probably trust him. They sometimes don't have a horse long enough to find their faults, if they have any. Sometimes if we don't get along with a horse, it could be our fault, not the horse's. Let's not discourage our horse dealers. What would we do without them?

Elmer Kuepfer

LUCKNOW, ONT., CAN.

March 7--Weather is nice and sunny but cold. Temp. has been dropping to zero the last few nights; not much snow on the ground.

Church was at John J. Millers' on Sun. Stranger attending was Linda D. Shetler of Norwich. She has been helping at her married sister's the last few weeks. Dan E. Miller of Michigan was also in the area over the weekend.

Mary and Esther D. Stutzman, Johnny J. Shetler and Rudy D. Byler were to Michigan over last weekend.

Levi J. Millers and Eli D. Byler (newlyweds) are on a trip to Michigan, then on to the West coast and to Mexico where Levi wants to doctor for asthma. They will be away for 3 weeks.

Henry M. Shetlers had plans on coming up to his parents' on Mon.

Born to Henry N. Stutzmans, a son named Dannie on Feb. 22. Grandparents are Noah D. Stutzmans and Andy B. Yoders. Mary A. Yoder is their maud.

Those that are going to make maple syrup have tapped their trees.

Dan & Mary Byler

AYLMER, ONT., CANADA

Mar. 12--We are having spring rains and some robins and killdeers have been seen.

Visitors attending church services on Sun. at John Martins' were Min. Ray Hochstetlers and son, Nathan Eicher and Allen Hochstetler of Charlotte, Mi. and David Thompson of Elmira area. Eight families from other districts also attended plus some youngfolks. Floyd Helmuths and another couple also of Charlotte were at church at Paul Stolls'.

Polly Anna Stoll and dau. Hannah, Katie Troyer, Esther Swartzentruber and Nora Zimmerman were visiting different parts of Pa. and Md. over the weekend. They hope to return on Tues. evening.

Dan Jantzi is patiently back in bed again with backache; could be discouraging for a busy farmer.

The large tire fire at Hagersville was finally put out on March 1 after burning for 17 days. The fire consumed almost all of the 13 to 15 million tires that were stored all on one pile for a recycling company. It caused a lot of pollution and many families had to leave their homes. Arson was suspected. The whole ordeal cost the government a million and a half dollars in trying to put it out. Apparently someone wasn't thinking when they lit it.

Harold Stoll Family

DAWSON CREEK, B.C., CANADA

March 5--The weather has been warm all week. The snow is slowly melting away. We had over a foot here on our place, but in the fields there was less.

The men and boys are busy at the cow camp. They have over 100 calves now. Yesterday they had 2 sets of twins in one day. The sheep are also starting to have lambs.

My 2 daughters were here 3 weeks. They helped me with sewing and cleaning. Their van brought them up here. It's a 900-mile trip, but they stay over night at the Mixburn Colony. It's half ways. We are busy butchering broilers for the last 2 weeks. This week they want to finish the turkeys. We can sell them all.

Mary P. Hofer

ONTARIO, CANADA

Cedar Grove A. M. Church

March 17--We are enjoying beautiful, spring-like weather. Maple syrup season will possibly be short this year on account of no frost at night.

Ohmer and Esther Jantzi and Irvin and Ellen Jantzi returned home on the 16th after having been on a 13-day Holyland tour.

Clare, Gwen and Alvin Gerber were recent visitors of Murray Jantzi's at Warren, Ont. Other visitors March 4th weekend were Merlin, Darlene and Rachel Jantzi. Leslie, Wayne and Ralph Gerber were there a few days the following week. Jacob, Mary and Steven Jantzi were up March 11th weekend. Ice fishing is the interest of their many visitors.

Travelling to Gap, Pa. for the wedding of Abner and Mary King were Murray, Miriam, Sarah and Robert Wagler. Also visited David Peacheys, Belleville, Pa.

Mrs. Tena Erb was in the hospital a few days with inflammation of the leg. She is staying with her dau., Mrs. Harold Wagler.

Mrs. Nancy Nafziger is in the hospital because of heart problems.

Mrs. Sarah Gerber has moved to the Milverton Nursing Home.

Sunday visitors at Cedar Grove March 11th were Allen Webers and family. They were dinner guests at Larry and Anne Albrecht's. Visiting minister was Yost Miller. Yost Miller and Roman Mullet are teaching Bible School at Fair Haven. Their wives were also along. Rosa Mullet is visiting her friends, Rosemary Wagler and Sharon Jantzi.

Mark and Darlene, Jason, Cheryl, Duane and Rhonda Wagler welcomed Justin Luke on March 1st. Grandparents are Jacob and Alma Zehr and Mary Wagler.

Peter and Linda, Cindy, Charles and Janette Jantzi welcomed James on March 7th. Peter is a minister in the Mornington A.M. Church.

Paul, Nancy, Edward and Marie Jantzi welcomed Miriam Joy on March 13th. Grandparents are Leonard and Mary Jantzi and Norman and Esther Wagler. Great-grandmother is Katie Kuepfer. Mary Ellen Gerber

ST. MARY'S, ONT., CAN.

Lakeside District

March 19--Nice winter morning with the ground covered with snow and temp. at 24°. Last week we had a record high of 70° and 80° weather all week.

Last Tues. Mrs. Peter and Mrs. Timothy Stoll and children and Mrs. Noah Gascho from Aylmer came up to their parents and then Mrs. Enos Yoder and 2 little ones, Mrs. Anna, Miss Amanda E. Yoder and Mrs. Elizabeth Hochstetler went back with the driver, making a few stops, then Mrs. Enos Yoder and Mrs. Anna Yoder went to Jake Eichers' for dinner. Amanda and Elizabeth had dinner with Polly Anna Stoll.

After dinner Dittler took us 4 to Aylmer sale barn then we left Mrs. Enos Yoder with her parents Jake Eichers and we came home after stopping at Katie Borntrager's dry good store in Mt. Elgin dist.

On Wed. afternoon Mrs. Enos Yoder again came home with the Aylmer driver when he came to take the Aylmer women home.

Mrs. John Henry Coblentz Anna went to see her doctor in Stratford on Wed. and she now has a walking cast that she's to have for 6 weeks.

Jonas Hertzler came home Sat. after being gone a week. He left Mon. morning for Detroit where he was picked up by a load of men from Path Valley, Pa. going to the Marshfield, Wisc. area to look over the land.

Sam Graber from Norfolk, N.Y. came to his sons David Graber last Tues. He was our only visitor in church yest.

Church was at John L. Stutzmans' to be there in 2 weeks with intentions to have council meeting. Mrs. Henry Troyer and 2 little ones, Mrs. Rufus Yoder and children, Mrs. Enos Yoder and 3 children were missing in church. The children and the 2 former mothers were sick and Enos Yoders' little baby had bronchial pneumonia but seems better this morning.

Another landmark gone. Bently barn was torn down, burned and the remains buried. This is the farm across the road from us.

Elmer Kuepfers from Linwood were in the area on Sat. making a call at John Henry Coblentzes' and Melvin Albrechts'. Mrs. Elmer Yoder

LINWOOD, ONT., CANADA

March 20--Last week turned suddenly very warm. The sap run was short and sweet.

Church Sunday was at Menno Albrechts', this time for their Davids. Sermons were by Bish. Joe K. Jantzi and Sam Jantzi, text by Lloyd Kuepfer.

Uncle Elmer L. Kuepfer is in the hospital with pneumonia. Their children are staying with Aunt Katie at present. She does not seem to really realize that Elmer is not there. Their Allan's wife, Laura, goes to London hospital today for more tests to decide whether they want to take her to California for an operation which may help her.

Alvin and Esther Kuepfer became a mom and dad, for the first time, one day early last week. It is a girl, named Elmina. Grandparents are Lydia Kuepfer and Menno Albrechts. Sam and Edith Kipfer have a little newcomer at their house, too. They have named her Joanne Esther.

Harvey Kuepfer's baby was in the hospital a week with a virus and pneumonia, but is home again now.

Ben Schwartz and Dan Wengerd of Norfolk, N.Y. were here on Sat. for a diesel engine. We coaxed them in for pancakes and sausage before they hit the road again on their way to Michigan.

Sat. afternoon mom and the writer were to Lakeside area and stopped in for a short visit with John Henry Coblentzes. We found Anna mobile, with limited speed and range, as she has to have a cast for a few weeks yet.

Elmer Kuepfer

MILVERTON, ONT., CANADA

March 12--Our thermometer showed 60° at 5 o'clock this afternoon, so it doesn't look like we will get low enough temperatures to start the sap running again for a few days.

Yesterday church services in southwest dist. were held at Aaron Ebersoles' by John Jantzi and Bishop Levi Streicher. John Streichers of Aylmer attended and Aarons had a singing for them in the evening. John Streichers of Aylmer who had been at Johns' for several weeks, returned home last week.

On Thursday eve. we took Katie Herrford along to visit Mrs. Mary Wagler who had been sick for a few weeks. She is feeling some better.

Last Wed. we visited at Allan and Laura Kuepfer's. Laura is not able to work at all, as there is scar tissue in the arteries in her lungs from blood clots that settled there after she had an operation several years ago. Her heart has to work so hard to force the blood through the arteries that she has to have a very high flow of oxygen at all times. Now she is faced with the decision of either going to California for surgery to try to repair her lungs, or face the rest of her life in the condition she is in. The doctors said she has time to think it over.

On Sunday after church we stopped in at Sol H. Kuepfers' to visit his wife Clara, who is not able to go away during the winter an account of her sore leg. She has taken some treatments for it, and they showed Sol how to treat it, which saves them a lot of trips.

Ammon and Laura Kuepfer's new daughter had something wrong with her hip. so now she's in a cast from her toes up past her tummy.

David and Elsie Ebersol have their first-born, a son named Matthew. Grandparents are John Ebersols and Aaron S. Kuepfers. David K. Kuepfer

NEWTON, ONT., CANADA

March 12--Weatherwise is sunny and very warm. Some have tapped to boil maple syrup.

24 women attended our March relief sewing. We were quilting on a black Lone Star quilt for the relief sale at New Hamburg.

Steven and Mary Kuepfer welcome their fifth child, a son. They have 3 sons and 2 daus. Lorne and Sarah Kuepfer and Simon and Lydia Albrecht are the grandparents. He was born March 11.

Mrs. Jacob Steckly (Rachel) passed away today March 12 at Listowel Memorial Hospital. She was 76 on March 6. Surviving are her husband, 1 son Benjamin and wife Irene, 1 dau. Martha and nine grandchildren, also 3 sisters. Elizabeth Henning, Mrs. Edward Daniel (Sarah) and Mrs. Rankin Chalmers (Nancy) and a brother Jacob Kuepfer. 2 brothers Menno and Reuben and 1 sister Mary predeceased her. The funeral is Thurs. at Morningview Church.

Mrs. Allan Streicheer

WATERLOO, ONT., CAN.

Martins

Mar. 19--We are back to winter this morning, after summer-like temp. last week for several days. It is snowing earnestly at present.

Elam Martin, our neighbor, was in bed for over a week with sciatica. He is a son of Mrs. Menno Martin who lives at the other end of their house.

Saloma Bauman, who had serious vericose vein surgery, is recuperating at her sister's the Harvey Sauders. She has rather a slow recovery.

Lovina Bearinger, widow of Henry, is in the hospital at this time with pneumonia. She is now out of I.C. She had the same earlier this winter, but was not in the hospital. She is 74.

Annie Martin, dau. of Manasah, is in the hospital with blood clots in her leg, one above the knee and two below, but is improving. She is a single girl, age 50, and lives in Hawkesville with a friend, Susannah Brubacher.

Sidney D. M. and Velina Martin are busy packing, and will leave this neighborhood for a new home some 9 miles up the road, which is close to Pre. Ivan Martins in the North Woolwich district.

A wedding is coming up at Urias D. M. Martins', who live beside Sidneys. Their dau. Nancy is to be married to Elo Martin, son of Abner G's. and they will then live where Sidneys are going out.

Last evening we had supper at Elo S. Martins'. They live in with Ezra Bowman in St. Jacobs. His parents Tilmans are deceased and he needs someone to care for him in his home. Elos also have Susannah's mother there at present, Saloma, widow of David Weber. She was 92 on Mar. 16. She is able to care for herself. She has been with Elos since New Year's, but I understand she will soon be leaving to go to one of the other of her children.

Herman Weber, a cancer victim, has been told by his doctors to enjoy life as long as he can. He feels well, eats well, and sleeps well, but they can no longer help him. He had a tumor and one kidney removed over 2 years ago. Then last fall he had a tumor removed from the lung area, and they say his liver is also affected. The only thing that bothers him at present is a persistent cough. He is about 60. Aaron & Barbara Weber

AYLMER, ONT., CANADA

March 19--We enjoyed 78° weather a week ago and now this morning we have a new blanket of snow. Maple sugaring wasn't a good crop this year.

Joe and Millie Eicher of Dixon are here to visit Jake Eichers for 10 days. They were our only company over the weekend. I don't think anybody from here was gone, which is worthy of mentioning! This morning we can't say that as Ikes' Anna and some of the girls plus a few more girls from other families left at 4:00 this morning for Pa.

Esther Swartzentruber, Katie Troyer, Hannah and I spent last weekend in Somerset and Bedford, Pa. Esther was also in Oakland. Elmer Ropps took us because Greyhound was on strike.

Yest., Elmo Stolls went to church at David Benders', then thought of something they'd forgotten so Aaron and Solomon went back home to get it. Going toward church again Sailor (the horse) decided to sail away, passing about 5 buggies and a number of people walking. The boys held on and yelled "whoa" but to no avail. Going up the hill near Leroy Eichers he slowed down enough that they turned in and got him stopped. No damage to buggy or harness; just some boys a bit shook up.

This week is the annual Pathway board of director's meeting.

Mrs. Alva Stoll (Bertha) got a call to come to Dela. to help care for her parents so she and Rachel left by bus, intending to stay 2 weeks. Polly Anna Stoll

LUCKNOW, ONT., CANADA

March 21--Nice spring weather.

Church was at Levi D. Stutzmans' on Sun. in S. dist. and was at John D. Shetlers' in N. dist. last Sunday.

Bro. Joe J. Shetlers and sons Jacob and Henry of N.Y. came to Dads' Mon. eve., planning to stay a week.

Rudy A. Hertzler of Union City, Pa. is helping with sugaring at Edward E. Gingerichs'.

Sam J. Hertzler of St. Mary's is at Andy N. Stutzmans' where he is learning how to make furniture.

Rudy M. Hostetlers and 2 children of Union City, Pa. and Jacob L. Millers of N.Y. were in the area over last Sunday.

Andy B. Yoders and children, Mose D. Shetlers and married children and Sam J. Miller were to Norwich for the sale of the late Levi E. Millers, Josey D. Shetlers also went to Norwich to visit.

Born to Levi L. Miller Jrs. a son named Aaron on March 9th. Grandparents are Levi A. Millers of here and Noah Y. Hershbergers of Ohio. Ella J. Shetler is their maud. Dan & Mary Byler

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